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Scriptural Selections.

For Silent Reading.

THE Lord is nigh unto all that call upon Him, to all that call upon Him in truth.

(Psalm cxlv, 18.)

Wherewith shall I come before the Lord and bow myself before the Most High? He hath showed thee, O man, what is good; and what doth the Lord require of thee, but to do justly, to love mercy and to walk humbly with thy God.

(Micah vi, 8.)

Thus saith the high and lofty One that inhabiteth eternity, whose name is Holy: Though I dwell in the high and holy place, yet am I with him who is of a contrite and humble spirit, to revive the spirit of the lowly and to quicken the heart of the contrite.

(Isaiah lvii, 15.)

The strangers that join themselves to the Lord, to serve and to love Him, them will I bring to my holy mountain and make them rejoice in my house of prayer. Their burnt offerings and their sacrifices shall be accepted upon mine altar, for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all nations.

(Isaiah lvi, 6-7.)

Prepare to meet thy God, O Israel.

(Amos iv, 12.)

The place whereon thou standest is holy ground.

(Exodus iii, 5.)

As the hart panteth after the waterbrooks, so longeth my soul for Thee, O God. My soul thirsteth for God, for the living God. Why art thou cast down, O my soul, and why art thou disquieted within me? Hope thou in God; for I shall yet praise Him for the help of His countenance.

(Psalm xlii, 1-2-5.)

O send Thy light and Thy truth; let them lead me, let them bring me unto Thy holy hill and to Thy tabernacles; then will I go unto the altar of God, unto the God of my exceeding joy.

(Psalm xliii, 3-4.)

And Abraham said: Behold now, I who am but dust and ashes have taken upon me to speak unto the Lord.

(Genesis xviii, 27.)

Thus saith the Lord: The heaven is my throne and the earth is my footstool; yet will I look to this man, even to him that is poor and of a contrite spirit and obeyeth my word.

(Isaiah lxvi, 1-2.)

Guard thy foot when thou goest to the house of God and be more ready to hear instruction than to give the sacrifice of fools; for they consider not that they do evil. Be not rash with thy mouth and let not thy heart be hasty to utter anything before God; for God is in heaven and thou art upon earth: therefore, let thy words be few.

(Ecclesiastes iv, 17 v, 1.)

Silent Prayers for Special Occasions.

GENERAL THANKSGIVING.

FATHER in heaven, I fervently thank Thee for all Thy kindness to me and to mine during the past week. Every day showed me new tokens of Thy merciful providence, and often I have felt that I am not worthy of so much goodness. If I look back upon the week, and search my heart and prove my way, I must confess that I did not live as nigh to Thee as I ought, nor have I done all the good I might have achieved. Yet, Thou knowest how earnestly I desire to reach up higher in the perfect way, and how sincerely I regret my shortcomings and failings. Assist me, O God, that on every recurring Sabbath I may have less and less cause for self-reproach, and the teachings of Thy word may ever find a fruitful soil in my heart.

I pray for the life and well-being of all my dear ones, for all who worship with me at this hour, but especially for the afflicted and suffering in our midst, that Thou mayest send them comfort and relief. If trials should come to me or mine, may they find our hearts so prepared in faith and trust that we shall never doubt Thy goodness or Thy wisdom, but shall accept Thy correction in patience and humility, and praise Thee all the days of our lives. Amen.

THANKSGIVING FOR JOYFUL OCCASIONS.

THOU, O God, hast always been gracious to me, and hast often sent me joys, even when I least deserved them. For all this abundance of Thy goodness I humbly thank Thee. And for the new happiness that has come to me (and my household) my soul is filled with gratitude. Let me not grow overbearing in prosperity, nor arrogant because of my success, but let me enjoy Thy blessings with becoming gratitude and humility. Nor let me ever forget that the most acceptable thank-offering is to bring light and joy to those that sit in darkness and affliction, to give bread to the hungry, and comfort the broken-hearted. May I, by thus doing what is pleasing to Thee, continue to find grace and favor in Thy sight. Amen.

THANKSGIVING AFTER SICKNESS.

O MY God, Father of mercy, I come into Thy presence to express my gratitude for the wonderful deliverance Thou hast wrought for me.

Thy care has watched over me since childhood's days; Thou hast preserved me from want; Thou hast raised me from the bed of sickness; and often when my foot slipped and I had well nigh fallen into the abyss, Thou hast lifted me up and brought me to a place of safety. And recently, O my God, when I was racked with pain, when my strength was spent and my very soul within me

trembled, Thou didst not let me sink into the grave; Thou hast saved me, and kept me in the land of the living that mine may still be the sweet companionship of my beloved ones.

Therefore, with great rejoicing and with all my soul I offer Thee my sacrifice of thanksgiving. Help me so to use my strength that my life may be one continuous offering to Thee, a blessing to my fellow-men. Amen.

THANKSGIVING AFTER A FAMILY FESTIVAL.

O GOD, we daily receive Thy fatherly blessings, and our very life is sustained by Thy mercies. Yet how seldom do we take heed thereof, how constantly do we forget the hand that so bounteously supplies our wants! But at such a time as this we awake from our dream of self-sufficiency, and seeing Thy goodness clearly before our eyes, we confess that not ourselves could we so abundantly provide for our happiness and create such wealth of joy for our home.

Blessed be Thy holy name, for that Thou hast brought to us these happy days; let our hearts be as altars of thanksgiving whereon we offer to Thee praise and adoration, and help us to show our gratitude by deeds of charity, so that other hearts may rejoice with ours. And mayest Thou, in Thy mercy, be with us in days to come, and keep us faithful to Thee, to our fellow-men, and to ourselves. Amen.

PRAYER IN TIMES OF AFFLICTION.

ALL-WISE Ruler of our destinies, with a heavy heart I come before Thee in this hour of worship; with great sadness do I seek Thy face. Thou hast visited me with tribulation and tried me with sorrow. Mine are days of anguish and nights of weeping. Humbly I bow beneath Thy chastisement and try to accept Thy will. For what am I, a child of dust, that I should murmur against the wisdom of Thy ways? I know that Thy decrees, though hard to bear, are meant for good and not for evil. In the gloom around me, I look to Thee for light. Let me not perish in my misery; let me not seek in vain for Thy sustaining arm. Comfort me, as Thou alone canst, and sustain me until Thou changest the sack-cloth of mourning for the garments of joy. Let me not repine at Thy chastening, O Lord, neither be weary of Thy correction, but may my present trial cleanse me from sins, redeem me from my faults, and give me new strength to do Thy will with a perfect heart. Amen.

THE SABBATH.

Evening Service for the Sabbath.

Choir :

(Psalm xcii.)

מִזְמוֹר שִׁיר לְיוֹם הַשַּׁבָּת׃

It is good to give thanks to the Lord, and to sing praises to Thy name, O most High. To show forth Thy loving-kindness in the morning, and Thy faithfulness every night; upon stringed instruments and upon the psaltery, upon the harp with solemn sound. For Thou, O Lord, hast made me glad by Thy doings; in the works of Thy hands I greatly rejoice. How great are Thy works, O Lord, how deep Thy purposes! The righteous shall flourish like the palm tree, he shall grow like a cedar in Lebanon. Planted in the house of

טוֹב לְהֹדוֹת לַיהוָֹה
וּלְזַמֵּר לְשִׁמְךָ עֶלְיוֹן׃
לְהַגִּיד בַּבֹּקֶר חַסְדֶּךָ
וֶאֱמוּנָתְךָ בַּלֵּילוֹת׃ עֲלֵי־
עָשׂוֹר וַעֲלֵי־נָבֶל · עֲלֵי
הִגָּיוֹן בְּכִנּוֹר׃ כִּי שִׂמַּחְתַּנִי
יְהוָֹה בְּפָעֳלֶךָ בְּמַעֲשֵׂי
יָדֶיךָ אֲרַנֵּן׃ מַה־גָּדְלוּ
מַעֲשֶׂיךָ יְהוָֹה מְאֹד עָמְקוּ
מַחְשְׁבֹתֶיךָ׃ צַדִּיק כַּתָּמָר
יִפְרָח · כְּאֶרֶז בַּלְּבָנוֹן
יִשְׂגֶּה׃ שְׁתוּלִים בְּבֵית

the Lord, they shall blossom in the courts of our God. They shall still bring forth fruit in old age, full of sap shall they be and flourishing. To make known that the Lord is upright; truly, He is my rock; there is no unrighteousness in Him.

יְהוָה . בְּחַצְרוֹת אֱלֹהֵינוּ יַפְרִיחוּ : עוֹד יְנוּבוּן בְּשֵׂיבָה. דְּשֵׁנִים וְרַעֲנַנִּים יִהְיוּ : לְהַגִּיד כִּי־יָשָׁר יְהוָה . צוּרִי וְלֹא־עַוְלָתָה בּוֹ :

Responsive Reading.

לכו נרננה

Minister.

O COME, let us sing unto the Lord; let us raise the voice of joy to the rock of our salvation.

Congregation.

Let us come into His presence with thanksgiving, and sing joyfully to Him with psalms.

For the Lord is great, and greatly to be praised, and beside Him there is no God.

In His hand are the depths of the earth; the strength of the hills is His also.

The sea is His, and He made it; and His hands formed the dry land.

O come, let us worship and bow down, let us adore the Lord, our Maker.

For He is our God, and we are the people of His pasture and the flock of His hand.

O sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord. all the earth.

Sing to the Lord; praise His name, show forth His salvation from day to day.

Honor and majesty are before Him, strength and beauty are in His sanctuary.

Give unto the Lord, O ye kindreds of the people, give unto the Lord the glory due to His name.

O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness, reverence Him all the inhabitants of the earth.

The Lord reigneth, He hath established the world that it shall not be moved.

Let the heavens rejoice and the earth be glad; let the fields be joyful and all that is therein.

He judges the world with righteousness and nations with His truth.

They that love the Lord hate evil; He will preserve the souls of His servants.

Light is sown for the righteous, and joy for the upright in heart.

Rejoice in the Lord, ye righteous, and give thanks at the remembrance of His holiness.

He hath remembered His mercy and His truth toward the house of Israel;

And all the ends of the earth have seen His salvation.

Exalt ye the Lord our God, and worship at His footstool.

The Lord our God is holy.

(Congregation standing.)

Minister:

Praise ye the Lord, to whom all praise is due!

Choir and Congregation:

Praised be the Lord from this time forth and forever.

(Congregation sitting.)

Minister:

PRAISE be unto Thee, O Eternal, Ruler of the world, at whose word the shades of evening fall, and by whose will the gates of morn are opened. Thy wisdom established the changes of times and seasons, and ordered the ways of the stars in their heavenly courses. Creator of day and night, Lord of hosts is Thy name. Thou, ever-living God, wilt rule over us forever. Praise be unto Thee, O God, for the day and its work and for the night and its rest.

Infinite as is Thy power, even so is Thy love. Thou didst manifest it unto Israel, Thy servant. By laws and commandments, by statutes and ordinances hast Thou led us into the way of righteousness and brought us to the light of truth. Therefore, at our lying down and our rising up we meditate on Thy teachings and, at all times, rejoice in Thy laws. In them is true life and length of days. O, that Thy love may never depart from our hearts. Praise be to Thee, O God, who hast revealed Thy love unto Israel.

(Congregation standing.)

Minister:

בָּרְכוּ אֶת יְיָ הַמְבֹרָךְ׃

Choir and Congregation:

בָּרוּךְ יְיָ הַמְבֹרָךְ לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד׃

(Congregation sitting.)

Minister:

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם. אֲשֶׁר בִּדְבָרוֹ
מַעֲרִיב עֲרָבִים. בְּחָכְמָה פּוֹתֵחַ שְׁעָרִים. וּבִתְבוּנָה
מְשַׁנֶּה עִתִּים וּמַחֲלִיף אֶת הַזְּמַנִּים. וּמְסַדֵּר אֶת
הַכּוֹכָבִים בְּמִשְׁמְרוֹתֵיהֶם בָּרָקִיעַ כִּרְצוֹנוֹ. בּוֹרֵא יוֹם
וָלָיְלָה. יְיָ צְבָאוֹת שְׁמוֹ. אֵל חַי וְקַיָּם תָּמִיד יִמְלֹךְ
עָלֵינוּ לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד. בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ הַמַּעֲרִיב עֲרָבִים׃

אַהֲבַת עוֹלָם בֵּית יִשְׂרָאֵל עַמְּךָ אָהָבְתָּ. תּוֹרָה
וּמִצְוֹת חֻקִּים וּמִשְׁפָּטִים אוֹתָנוּ לִמַּדְתָּ. עַל כֵּן יְיָ
אֱלֹהֵינוּ בְּשָׁכְבֵנוּ וּבְקוּמֵנוּ נָשִׂיחַ בְּחֻקֶּיךָ. וְנִשְׂמַח
בְּדִבְרֵי תוֹרָתֶךָ וּבְמִצְוֹתֶיךָ לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד. כִּי הֵם חַיֵּינוּ
וְאֹרֶךְ יָמֵינוּ. וּבָהֶם נֶהְגֶּה יוֹמָם וָלָיְלָה. וְאַהֲבָתְךָ
אַל־תָּסִיר מִמֶּנּוּ לְעוֹלָמִים. בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אוֹהֵב
עַמּוֹ יִשְׂרָאֵל׃

(Congregation standing.)

Minister, then Choir and Congregation:

Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is One.
Praised be His glorious name forever and ever.

(Congregation sitting.)

THOU shalt love the Lord, thy God, with all thy heart, with all thy soul, and with all thy might. And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thy heart. Thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt speak of them when thou sittest in thy house, when thou walkest by the way, when thou liest down, and when thou risest up. Bind them as a sign upon thy hand, and let them be as frontlets between thine eyes. Write them upon the doorposts of thy house and upon thy gates.

To the end that ye may remember and do all my commandments and be holy unto your God. I am the Lord your God.

Responsive Reading or Chanting:

Minister.

ETERNAL truth it is that Thou alone art God, and there is none besides;

Congregation.

And through Thy power alone, has Israel been redeemed from the hands of oppressors.

Wonders without number hast Thou wrought for us, and hast protected us to this day.

Thou hast preserved our soul for life, and hast not suffered our feet to stumble.

(Congregation standing.)

Minister, then Choir and Congregation:

שְׁמַע יִשְׂרָאֵל יְהוָֹה אֱלֹהֵינוּ יְהוָֹה אֶחָד׃

בָּרוּךְ שֵׁם כְּבוֹד מַלְכוּתוֹ לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד׃

(Congregation sitting.)

Minister:

וְאָהַבְתָּ אֵת יְיָ אֱלֹהֶיךָ בְּכָל־לְבָבְךָ וּבְכָל־נַפְשְׁךָ וּבְכָל־מְאֹדֶךָ׃ וְהָיוּ הַדְּבָרִים הָאֵלֶּה אֲשֶׁר אָנֹכִי מְצַוְּךָ הַיּוֹם עַל־לְבָבֶךָ׃ וְשִׁנַּנְתָּם לְבָנֶיךָ וְדִבַּרְתָּ בָּם. בְּשִׁבְתְּךָ בְּבֵיתֶךָ וּבְלֶכְתְּךָ בַדֶּרֶךְ וּבְשָׁכְבְּךָ וּבְקוּמֶךָ׃ וּקְשַׁרְתָּם לְאוֹת עַל־יָדֶךָ. וְהָיוּ לְטֹטָפֹת בֵּין עֵינֶיךָ׃ וּכְתַבְתָּם עַל־מְזֻזוֹת בֵּיתֶךָ וּבִשְׁעָרֶיךָ׃

לְמַעַן תִּזְכְּרוּ וַעֲשִׂיתֶם אֶת־כָּל־מִצְוֹתָי וִהְיִיתֶם קְדוֹשִׁים לֵאלֹהֵיכֶם׃ אֲנִי יְיָ אֱלֹהֵיכֶם׃

Responsive Reading or Chanting:

אֱמֶת וֶאֱמוּנָה כָּל זֹאת וְקַיָּם עָלֵינוּ. כִּי הוּא יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ וְאֵין זוּלָתוֹ. וַאֲנַחְנוּ יִשְׂרָאֵל עַמּוֹ׃

הַפּוֹדֵנוּ מִיַּד מְלָכִים. מַלְכֵּנוּ הַגּוֹאֲלֵנוּ מִכַּף כָּל־הֶעָרִיצִים׃

Thy love has watched over us in the night of oppression; and Thy mercy has sustained us in the hour of trial.

And now that we live in a land of freedom, may we continue to be faithful to Thee and Thy word.

May Thy law rule in the hearts of all Thy children, and Thy truth unite them in the bonds of fellowship.

Let the righteous of all nations rejoice in Thy grace, and exult in Thy justice.

O God, Thou art our refuge and our hope; we glorify Thy name now as did our fathers in ancient days:

Choir:

Who is like unto Thee, O God, among the mighty? Who is like unto Thee, glorious in holiness, extolled in praises, working wonders?

God reigneth for ever and ever.

Minister:

As Thou hast redeemed Israel and saved him from arms stronger than his, so mayest Thou redeem all who are oppressed and persecuted. Blessed art Thou, O God, redeemer of Israel.

Choir:

The children of Israel shall keep the Sabbath, and observe it throughout all generations: It is a sign of an everlasting covenant between me and the children of Israel for ever, saith the Lord.

הָעֹשֶׂה גְדֹלוֹת עַד אֵין חֵקֶר. וְנִפְלָאוֹת עַד אֵין מִסְפָּר:

הַשָּׂם נַפְשֵׁנוּ בַּחַיִּים. וְלֹא נָתַן לַמּוֹט רַגְלֵנוּ:

הָעֹשֶׂה לָּנוּ נִסִּים בְּמִצְרַיִם. אוֹתֹת וּמוֹפְתִים בְּאַדְמַת בְּנֵי חָם:

וְרָאוּ בָנָיו גְּבוּרָתוֹ. שִׁבְּחוּ וְהוֹדוּ לִשְׁמוֹ:

Choir:

מִי־כָמֹכָה בָּאֵלִים יְיָ. מִי כָּמֹכָה נֶאְדָּר בַּקֹּדֶשׁ נוֹרָא תְהִלֹּת עֹשֵׂה־פֶלֶא:

Minister:

מַלְכוּתְךָ רָאוּ בָנֶיךָ. זֶה אֵלִי עָנוּ וְאָמְרוּ:

Choir:

יְיָ יִמְלֹךְ לְעֹלָם וָעֶד:

Minister:

וְנֶאֱמַר כִּי־פָדָה יְהוָֹה אֶת־יַעֲקֹב וּגְאָלוֹ מִיַּד חָזָק מִמֶּנּוּ. בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ גָּאַל יִשְׂרָאֵל:

Choir:

וְשָׁמְרוּ בְנֵי־יִשְׂרָאֵל אֶת־הַשַּׁבָּת לַעֲשׂוֹת אֶת־הַשַּׁבָּת לְדֹרֹתָם בְּרִית עוֹלָם: בֵּינִי וּבֵין בְּנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל אוֹת הִוא לְעֹלָם:

Minister:

PRAISE be to Thee, O Eternal, our God, God of our fathers Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the great, mighty and most high God. Thou bestowest loving-kindness upon all Thy creatures; Thou rememberest the goodness of the fathers, and Thou sendest redemption to their descendants for the sake of Thy name. Thou art our help, our redeemer and protector. Praise be to Thee, O God, shield of Abraham.

Thou art mighty, O Lord; Thine is the power to save. In Thy kindness Thou sustainest the living, upholdest the falling, healest the sick, and settest captives free. Thou wilt, of a surety, fulfil Thy promise of immortal life unto those who sleep in the dust. Who is like unto Thee, Almighty, author of life and death, source of salvation. Praise be to Thee, O God, who hast implanted within us immortal life.

Grant, O God, that our rest on this Sabbath may be acceptable to Thee. May we, sanctified through Thy commandments, become sharers in the blessings of Thy word. Teach us to be satisfied with the gifts of Thy goodness and gratefully to rejoice in all Thy mercies. Purify our hearts that we may serve Thee in truth. O help us to preserve the Sabbath as Israel's heritage from generation to generation, that it may ever bring rest and joy, peace and comfort to the dwellings of our brethren, and through it Thy name be hallowed in all the earth.

Choir:—Amen.

Minister :

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ וֵאלֹהֵי אֲבוֹתֵינוּ. אֱלֹהֵי אַבְרָהָם אֱלֹהֵי יִצְחָק וֵאלֹהֵי יַעֲקֹב. הָאֵל הַגָּדוֹל הַגִּבּוֹר וְהַנּוֹרָא. אֵל עֶלְיוֹן. גּוֹמֵל חֲסָדִים טוֹבִים. וְקוֹנֵה הַכֹּל וְזוֹכֵר חַסְדֵי אָבוֹת. וּמֵבִיא גְאֻלָּה לִבְנֵי בְנֵיהֶם. לְמַעַן שְׁמוֹ בְּאַהֲבָה: מֶלֶךְ עוֹזֵר וּמוֹשִׁיעַ וּמָגֵן. בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ מָגֵן אַבְרָהָם:

אַתָּה גִבּוֹר לְעוֹלָם אֲדֹנָי. רַב לְהוֹשִׁיעַ. מְכַלְכֵּל חַיִּים בְּחֶסֶד. מְחַיֵּה הַכֹּל בְּרַחֲמִים רַבִּים. סוֹמֵךְ נוֹפְלִים וְרוֹפֵא חוֹלִים וּמַתִּיר אֲסוּרִים. וּמְקַיֵּם אֱמוּנָתוֹ לִישֵׁנֵי עָפָר. מִי כָמוֹךְ בַּעַל גְּבוּרוֹת. וּמִי דוֹמֶה־לָּךְ. מֶלֶךְ מֵמִית וּמְחַיֶּה. וּמַצְמִיחַ יְשׁוּעָה: בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ נֹטֵעַ בְּתוֹכֵנוּ חַיֵּי עוֹלָם:

אֱלֹהֵינוּ וֵאלֹהֵי אֲבוֹתֵינוּ. רְצֵה בִמְנוּחָתֵנוּ. קַדְּשֵׁנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתֶיךָ וְתֵן חֶלְקֵנוּ בְּתוֹרָתֶךָ. שַׂבְּעֵנוּ מִטּוּבֶךָ וְשַׂמְּחֵנוּ בִּישׁוּעָתֶךָ. וְטַהֵר לִבֵּנוּ לְעָבְדְּךָ בֶּאֱמֶת. וְהַנְחִילֵנוּ יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ בְּאַהֲבָה וּבְרָצוֹן שַׁבַּת קָדְשֶׁךָ. וְיָנוּחוּ בָהּ יִשְׂרָאֵל מְקַדְּשֵׁי שְׁמֶךָ. בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ מְקַדֵּשׁ הַשַּׁבָּת:

Choir :—Amen.

Silent Prayer:

O GOD who art the strength of all that trust in Thee, my soul is filled with gratitude for the numberless blessings Thou bestowest on me. With a father's tender care Thou rememberest me every day and every hour. Thou hast endowed me with reason to distinguish between right and wrong, with freedom to choose between good and evil. Thou hast opened mine eyes that I may know the wonders of Thy creation and, above the fleeting things of the earth, seek Thee, O Eternal, who art near to the hearts of the lowly.

Teach me, O Lord, to obey Thy will, to be content with what, in Thy wisdom, Thou hast allotted to me, and to share Thy gifts with those who need my help. Guide me, O Father, with Thy good counsel, and hold in Thy keeping the lives of those dear to me. Spread the tent of Thy protection over my home; may peace and happiness abide in it, and love unite all who dwell under its shadow. And when, in Thy wisdom, Thou sendest trials and sorrows, O grant me strength to bear them patiently, and courage to trust in Thy help. Guard Thou my going out and coming in, now and evermore. Amen.

Choir:

May the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart be acceptable before Thee, O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.

For the First Sabbath of the Month.

Responsive Reading:

Minister.

O LORD, how manifold are Thy works; in wisdom hast Thou made them all; the earth is full of the riches of Thy bounty.

Congregation.

From the rising of the sun, even unto the going down thereof, the name of the Lord is praised.

With God are wisdom and strength, His are counsel and understanding.

The heavens are the Lord's, the earth also and all that is therein.

He made the great lights, the sun to rule by day, the moon and the stars to rule by night.

He spake and they were made, He gave a law they cannot transgress.

He covereth the heavens with clouds and prepareth rain for the earth.

He causeth grass to grow for cattle, and herbs for the service of man.

He bringeth forth food from the earth; wine also to gladden the heart of man.

Man goeth forth unto his work and to his labor until the evening.

God ruleth the pride of the roaring sea; when the waves thereof rise, He stilleth them;

He saith: Thus far shalt thou come, and here shall thy proud waves be stayed.

The everlasting God hath laid the foundations of the world; He hath placed the corner-stone thereof.

The Creator of the ends of the earth fainteth not, neither is He weary; there is no searching of His wisdom.

The way of the Lord is perfect, His word is tried, His counsels stand forever.

The Lord liveth. Blessed be the God of our salvation.

Minister:

HEAVENLY Father, we rejoice that amidst the ceaseless cares and anxieties, the vain desires and wearisome struggles of our earthly life, Thy holy Sabbath has been given to us as a day of rest and refreshment of soul. It takes the burden from our shoulders, calls us to the restfulness of Thy house and the joy of Thy worship, and comforts us by Thy gracious message: peace, peace be to those that are far and to those that are near.

We thank Thee for all Thy benefits towards us in the past week: for the preservation of our lives, of our health and our strength; for the blessings of home, of love, of friendship, and for all other good influences which support us in the hour of trial and temptation. Thou sendest us the joys that brighten our days; from Thy hand, also, come the sorrows that cast their shadows over them. In all our experiences we recognize Thy guidance and praise Thy wisdom. O, may this Sabbath

bring rest to every disquieted heart and be as a healing balm to every bruised soul.

Thou who hearest prayer, we beseech Thee to endow us with the grace of a contented disposition; and when we pray for new blessings may we ask of Thee in the spirit of humility and submission, remembering that we cannot know if what we ask is really for our good; that Thou alone knowest the future and orderest all things well, whether Thou grantest our petitions or deniest them. When we sing Thy praise, may our souls rise with our songs to Thee, and when we render Thee our homage may we consider that it is only by obedience to Thy commandments, by faithfulness to our duties, by the goodness of our actions that we can make our worship acceptable to Thee.

Look with compassion upon Thy children and grant us that strength of love and purity of purpose that shall enable us to live together in unity, and work together in peace and concord, so that the well-being of all may be promoted, and Thy name, O God, glorified in all the earth. Amen.

ANTHEM.

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For the Second Sabbath of the Month.

(Psalm viii).

Minister:

O GOD, our Lord, how excellent is Thy name in all the earth; Thou hast set Thy glory in the heavens. When I consider Thy heavens, the work of Thy hands, the moon and the stars which Thou hast ordained: what is man that Thou art mindful of him, and the son of man that Thou visitest him? Yet hast Thou made him but little lower than the angels, and hast crowned him with glory and honor. Thou madest him to have dominion over the works of Thy hands; Thou hast put all things under his feet. O God, our Lord, how excellent is Thy name in all the earth.

Responsive Reading:

Minister.

HAPPY is the man that findeth wisdom, and the man that increaseth knowledge.

Congregation.

Behold, the fear of the Lord, that is wisdom, and to depart from evil, that is true understanding.

The possession thereof is better than silver, and rather to be sought than gold.

Treasures of wickedness profit nothing: the Lord will not suffer the soul of the righteous to famish.

The blessing of the Lord, it maketh rich; and no sorrow is added thereto.

Honor the Lord with thy substance, and with the first-fruits of all thine increase.

Blessed is the man that considereth the poor: in the evil day the Lord will be his refuge.

If thou enjoy the fruit of the labor of thy hand, blessed art thou, and it will be well with thee.

Let not mercy and truth forsake thee: bind them as an ornament about thy neck; write them upon the tablets of thy heart.

So shalt thou find favor in the eyes of God and man.

Trust in the Lord with all thy heart, and lean not on thine own understanding.

In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct thy paths.

Hope in the Lord: be of good courage, and He shall strengthen thy heart.

Minister:

GATHERED together in Thy house, O God, now that the shadows of evening fall around us, we open our hearts to the sweet and comforting influences of the day blessed by Thee and hallowed for Thy worship.

We thank Thee from our hearts, for all Thy blessings and for the dispensations of Thy providence and the tokens of Thy goodness towards us. Every day we receive of the fulness of Thy bounty; by Thy protection we have passed safely through the dangers that beset our paths. If we were tried by sorrow

and days of anguish were allotted to us, it was not that Thou hadst forsaken us. Thine eye is ever upon us and Thine arm still guides us. In Thine own time, O God, we shall surely say with the ancient seer: I thank Thee, that Thou hast tried me; for now that Thy visitation is past, Thou comfortest me, and I draw waters of joy from the wells of salvation.

We pray for all people who at this hour are in tribulation, in sickness, in want, in danger of body or soul. We name in our hearts those that are nearest to us and in whose afflictions we are afflicted. Let them see Thy help; and grant them a blessed release from their trials.

May we do what in us lies to lead into the right way the erring and the wayward. May we see in their sins rather the frailty of our common nature than guilt of will; and reach out our hand to the fallen brother. Enlighten our minds that we put to its highest use every gift of Thy hand; that we cherish a good conscience above worldly gains, and a healthy soul above sensual gratification. May we be enabled, by Thy grace, so to order our whole life, that at its eventide we shall look back with a tranquil mind upon the world we leave, and find in the world we enter that perfect rest which Thou hast prepared for the righteous among the children of men.

ANTHEM.

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For the Third Sabbath of the Month.

(Psalm xxiii.)

Minister:

THE Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures; He leadeth me beside still waters; He restoreth my soul; and guideth me in the path of righteousness for His name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I fear no evil; Thy rod and Thy staff, O Lord, they will comfort me. Thou preparest a table for me in the sight of my adversaries; Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup of joy runneth over. Surely, goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord at all times.

Responsive Reading:

Minister.

BEHOLD, how good and how pleasing it is for brethren to dwell together in unity.

Congregation.

For there the Lord commandeth His blessing, even life for evermore.

Except the Lord build the house, they that build it labor in vain:

Except the Lord guard the city, the watchmen watch in vain.

Better is a dry morsel and quiet therewith, than a house full of feasting with strife.

Better is the little gotten in the fear of God, than great treasure and trouble therewith.

My son, keep the commandment of thy father, and forsake not the teaching of thy mother.

For the commandment is a lamp and the law is a light, to guide thee in the way of life.

I will walk within my house, in the integrity of my heart.

I will set no wicked thing before me, it shall not cleave to me.

Fret not thyself because of evil-doers to do evil likewise; cease from anger and forsake wrath.

Mark the perfect man, and behold the upright one; for there is a future for the man of peace.

Lord, my heart is not haughty, and my eyes are not lofty; neither do I exercise myself in things too high for me.

I wait for the Lord, my soul doth wait for the Lord; and in His promise do I hope.

My soul waiteth for the Lord more than they that watch for the morning.

Let Israel hope in the Lord; for with Him there is mercy, and plenteous redemption.

I have set the Lord always before me: He is with me, I shall not be moved.

Therefore my heart is glad and my glory rejoiceth, my flesh also shall dwell in safety.

For Thou wilt not leave my soul in the grave, Thou wilt show me the path of life. In Thy presence is fullness of joy.

Minister:

NOW that the daily task is laid aside and we are gathered in the house of God, the hush of solemnity comes over us; and we feel a refreshing rest in the holy quiet of the sanctuary. Softer than the twilight calm is that peace that comes to us here with healing on its wings. Like the dew of Mount Hermon falling upon the hills of Zion, it instils new vigor into the tired frame; and the soul, weary from life's stern combats, is refreshed out of the abundance of God's grace. Our daily work is blessed and hallowed by the Sabbath-rest, and dignity is given to labor and to life by Sabbath-hours of worship.

When the shades of night veil from our eyes the beauties of the earth, a world of holier splendor opens up before the mind. At eventide, behold, there is light. The brightness of the fireside shines forth to tell that a divine spirit of love holds sway. How solemn life with its joys and its trials appears in the light of the duties and affections of home, how greatly all blessings are enriched, how much all cares and sorrows are softened. It is at this hour, O God, that Thy messenger of peace descends from on high to turn the hearts of the parents to the children and the hearts of the children to the parents, strengthening the bonds of devotion in the household and making it a temple worthy of Thy presence.

We thank Thee, O God, for the sanctity of this day which ever fostered moderation, purity and fidelity

in the souls of Israel. The Sabbath light shone into the life of our fathers as a beacon across a storm-tossed sea; it sent its comforting rays into Judah's tents when they were wrapt in the darkness of persecution, and the iron had entered the souls of the martyred race.

Let the day not be less welcome to us, now, that our lot has fallen in brighter times and pleasanter places. Children of happier lands may we nevertheless prize and preserve Israel's heritage that it bring comfort and joy to us and to future generations. May the Sabbath cup be to us a cup of salvation, which we lift up calling upon the name of the Lord. And as this weekly day of rest and worship enjoined by Thy Law has brought blessing to many nations, may it at last unite all men in a covenant of peace and holy fellowship. Amen.

Choir:

How goodly are Thy tents, O Jacob, Thy dwellings, O Israel!

Lift up the cup of salvation and call upon the name of the Lord.

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For the Fourth and Fifth Sabbaths of the Month.

(Psalm i.)

Minister:

HAPPY the man that walketh not in the counsel of the unrighteous, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of scoffers; but whose delight is in the law of the Lord, and who meditateth on His precepts day and night. He is like a tree planted by streams of water, that bringeth forth its fruit in its season, whose leaves do not wither; all that he doeth shall prosper. Not so the unrighteous; they are like chaff, which the wind driveth away. Therefore the wicked shall not stand in judgment, nor sinners in the assembly of the just. For the Lord knoweth the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked leadeth to ruin.

Responsive Reading:

Minister.

TRULY my soul waiteth upon God, from Him cometh my help.

Congregation.

God is my refuge and my glory; He is my strength and my safety.

Trust in Him at all times, pour out your hearts before Him.

Commit thy ways unto the Lord and He will order all things well.

Show me Thy way, O Lord, teach me Thy paths and lead me in Thy truth.

Whom have I in heaven but Thee, and there is none upon earth that I desire beside Thee.

When my flesh and my heart fail, God is still my strength and my portion forever.

Wait on the Lord, be of good courage and He shall strengthen thy heart.

Create in me a pure heart and renew a right spirit within me.

When many thoughts perplex me, Thy comforts delight my soul.

My times are in Thy hands, and Thou wilt guide and sustain me even unto the end.

How precious is Thy loving-kindness, O God, therefore the children of men hide under Thy wings.

With Thee is the fountain of life; in Thy light shall we see light.

Continue Thy mercy unto them that know Thee, and Thy righteousness to the upright in heart.

Minister:

ALMIGHTY and merciful God! Thou hast called Israel to Thy service and found him worthy to be Thy witness to the peoples of the earth. Give us grace to fulfil this mission with zeal tempered by wisdom and guided by due regard for other men's faith. May our lives prove the strength of our own belief in the truths we proclaim. May our bearing towards our neighbors, our faithfulness in every sphere

of duty, our compassion with the suffering and our patience under trial, show that He whose law we obey is indeed the God of all goodness, the Father of all men; that His service is perfect freedom and His worship the soul's purest happiness.

Open Thou, O God, our eyes that we may see and welcome all truth, whether shining from the annals of ancient revelations or reaching us through the seers of our own time; for Thou hidest not Thy light from any generation of Thy children that feel after Thee and seek Thy guidance.

We pray for the masters and teachers in Israel; that they may dispense Thy truth with earnestness indeed, yet not wanting in charity. May the law of love be found on their lips, and may they by precept and example lead many in the ways of righteousness.

Bless, O God, all endeavors, wherever made, to lift up the fallen, to redeem the sinful, to bring back those who wander from the right path and restore them to a worthy life. Truly, O God, we long to adore Thee in the temple of holiness, at the altar of truth and with the offerings of our love. O satisfy us early with Thy mercy, that we may rejoice and be glad all our days. Amen.

ANTHEM.

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For 'Hanukkah—the Feast of Dedication.

(Psalm xxx.)

Minister:

I WILL extol Thee, O Lord, for Thou hast raised me up, and hast not made my foes to rejoice over me. O Lord, my God, I cried unto Thee and Thou hast healed me, and kept me alive that I should not go down to the grave. Sing unto the Lord, O ye pious ones, and give thanks to His holy name. For His anger is but for a moment, His favor is for a lifetime; weeping may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning. Thou hast turned my mourning into joy; Thou hast put off my sackcloth and girded me with gladness; to the end that my soul may sing praise to Thee, and not be silent. O Lord, my God, I will give thanks unto Thee forever.

Responsive Reading:

Minister.

THE Lord is my light and my salvation, whom shall I fear?

Congregation.

The Lord is the strength of my life, of whom shall I be afraid?

When evil-doers come upon me to destroy me,

Even mine adversaries and foes, they stumble and fall.

Though a host should encamp against me, my heart shall not fear.

Though war should rise against me, even then will I be confident.

If the Lord had not been on our side, let Israel now say;

If it had not been the Lord who was on our side, when men rose up against us;

Then had they swallowed us up alive, when their wrath was kindled against us;

Then the waters had overwhelmed us, the stream had gone over our soul.

Blessed be the Lord who has not given us a prey to their teeth.

Our soul is escaped out of the snare of the fowler.

The snare is broken and we are escaped.

Our help is in the name of the Lord who made heaven and earth.

Thou savest the afflicted people and the haughty Thou bringest low.

Thou lightest my lamp, the Lord my God lighteth my darkness.

For who is God save the Lord, and who is a rock besides our God?

God girdeth me with strength and maketh my way perfect.

The Lord liveth, blessed and exalted be the rock of my salvation.

I will sing praise unto Thy name forevermore.

Minister :

(From II. Maccabees.)

IT was on the fifteenth day of the month of Kislev, when King Antiochus of Syria had set up an idol upon the altar of God, and had incense burnt in its honor. And he gave order that the people of Judea should forsake their Law and the covenant and profane the Sabbath and pollute the sanctuary. And many chose rather to die than to forsake the holy covenant. And the king's officers came to the city of Modin, and they said to Mattathiâs, the son of John, the son of Simon the Hasmonean, a priest of the sons of Joarib who dwelt in Modin: "Thou art a ruler in the city. Go, then, and fulfil the king's command and sacrifice as all the heathens have done, and as also the men of Judea and Jerusalem did. So shalt thou be of the number of the king's friends." But Mattathias answered and spake with a loud voice: "Though all the nations that are under the king's command obey him and fall away every one from the religion of their fathers, yet will I and my sons and my brethren walk in the covenant of our fathers. God forbid that we should forsake the Law to depart from our faith either to the right or to the left." And when one of the Jews came in the sight of all to sacrifice to the idol, Mattathias was inflamed with zeal, neither could he forbear to show his anger, and he slew him, and also the king's commissioner, and the altar he pulled down. And Mattathias cried throughout the city with a loud voice saying: "Whosoever is zealous of the Law and maintaineth the

covenant, let him follow me." So he and his sons fled into the mountains, and they went about pulling down the heathen altars, and they recovered the Law out of the hand of the Gentiles.

Now Mattathias was greatly advanced in age; he had passed his hundredth year, and his dying hour drew near. He said to his sons: "Be ye zealous for the Law and give your lives for the covenant of your fathers. Remember what our fathers did in times gone by. Was not Abraham found faithful in temptation, and it was accounted to him for righteousness? Phineas our father obtained for his zeal the covenant of an everlasting priesthood. Ananias, Azarias and Mishael were by their faith saved out of the flame, and Daniel from the mouth of lions. Throughout all the ages none that put their trust in God were overcome. Therefore be strong, my sons, and show yourselves men in behalf of the Law; for by it shall ye obtain glory." So he blessed them and was gathered to his fathers.

Then Judas, called Maccabee, rose up in his stead, and all his brethren aided him, and they fought courageously the battle of Israel. He put on a breastplate as a giant, and girt his warlike armor about him. He battled like a lion, and the wicked shrunk for fear of him. He cheered Jacob by his mighty acts, and his memorial is blessed forever. And when all the people feared and trembled at the sight of the great multitude of the enemy's hosts, and said: "How shall we be able, being so few, to fight against so many people and so strong." Judas answered:

"With the God of heaven it is all one to deliver us with a large number, or with a small one. Let all the nations know that there is One who will forever save and protect Israel." And Judas led them into battle, and behold, the hosts of the enemy were vanquished and they fled. And Israel had a great deliverance. And they sang songs of thanksgiving, and praised the Lord of heaven for His goodness, because His mercy endureth forever.

And on the five and twentieth day of Kislev, the same day when three years before the altar of God had been profaned by the heathen, the sanctuary of God was dedicated anew with songs and music, and the people praised the God of heaven who had given them great victory, and they celebrated *the Dedication of the Altar* for eight days, and there was great rejoicing among the people. Moreover, Judas and his brethren with the whole congregation of Israel ordained that the days of the Dedication of the Altar should be celebrated from year to year for eight days in gladness and thanksgiving.

Choir :

Kindle the taper, like the steadfast star
  Ablaze on evening's forehead o'er the earth,
Send through the night its luster till afar
  An eightfold splendor shine above thy hearth.
Clash, Israel, the cymbals, touch the lyre,
  Blow the loud trumpet and the clear-tongued horn!
Chant psalms of victory till the heart takes fire;
  The Maccabæan spirit leaps newborn.

Minister:

WE praise Thee this day, O Lord our God, for the great mercy Thou didst exercise on behalf of our persecuted forefathers. When they had been brought to the very brink of destruction, and no hope seemed to remain, Thou didst contend for them, judge their cause and avenge their wrongs; Thou didst make the wickedness of the tyrant recoil upon his own head whilst the oppressed were restored to their rightful liberty. The voice of triumph and salvation was heard in the tents of the righteous, saying: The right hand of the Lord hath done valiantly; the right hand of the Lord is exalted; the Lord hath indeed chastened me, but He hath not given me over unto death. Thy temple was purified from idols, and dedicated anew to Thy holy service. Therefore we extol Thee for this great deliverance. Truly, we are Thy servants; unto Thee we offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and we invoke Thy name. Thou, O God, hast not changed, neither is the house of Israel consumed.

The Blessing over the Lights.

BLESSED be Thou, O God, Ruler of the world, who didst wondrous things for our fathers at this season in days of yore.

Blessed be Thou, O our God, who hast granted us life, sustained us and permitted us to celebrate this joyous festival.

Choir:

The people that walked in darkness saw a great light; they that dwelt in the shadow of death, upon them Thy light shone.

Minister:

WHILST we render unto God the glory due to Him, we also honor the memory of those who gave their lives that their nation might live and Israel's faith endure. Before these lights, fit symbols of the rays which their daring shed into the gloom of their misery, we would be filled with a like spirit of devotion to the weal of this our country. How often since that time have Israel's sons and daughters borne the scorn and fury of the world and sealed their love of God with their heart's blood! Innumerable are these martyrs for soul liberty. Their graves, unknown and unhonored, cover the face of the earth. Neither want, nor pain, nor scourge, nor dungeon, nor exile, nor flames could make them forsake the covenant of their fathers. Their remembrance shall never fade from the heart of Israel.

Choir:—Amen.

'HANUKKAH-HYMN.

(Ancient Melody.)

ROCK of Ages, let our song
Praise Thy saving power;
Thou, amidst the raging foes,
Wast our shelt'ring tower.
Furious they assailed us,
But Thine arm availed us.
And Thy word
Broke their sword
When our own strength failed us.

Kindling new the holy lamps,
Priests approved in suffering,
Purified the nation's shrine,
Brought to God their offering.
And His courts surrounding
Hear, in joy abounding,
Happy throngs
Singing songs
With a mighty sounding.

Children of the Martyr-race,
Whether free or fettered,
Wake the echoes of the songs
Where ye may be scattered.
Yours the message cheering,
That the time is nearing
Which shall see
All men free,
Tyrants disappearing.

ADORATION.

(Congregation standing.)

Minister:

LET us adore the ever-living God, and render praise unto Him who spread out the heavens and established the earth, whose glory is revealed in the heavens above and whose greatness is manifest throughout the world: He is our God, and there is none else.

We bow our head and bend our knee and magnify the King of kings, the Holy One, the Ever-blest.

Choir and Congregation:

וַאֲנַחְנוּ כֹּרְעִים וּמִשְׁתַּחֲוִים וּמוֹדִים לִפְנֵי מֶלֶךְ
מַלְכֵי הַמְּלָכִים הַקָּדוֹשׁ בָּרוּךְ הוּא׃

(Congregation sitting.)

Minister:

MAY the time not be distant, O God, when Thy name shall be worshiped in all the earth, when unbelief shall disappear and error be no more. We fervently pray that the day may come upon which all men shall invoke Thy name, when corruption and evil shall give way to purity and goodness; when superstition shall no longer enslave the minds, nor idolatry blind the eyes; when all inhabitants of the earth shall perceive that to Thee alone every knee must bend and every tongue give homage. O may all, created in Thine image, recognize that they are brethren, so that they, one in spirit and one in fellowship, may be forever united before Thee.

Then shall Thy kingdom be established on earth, and the word of Thine ancient seer be fulfilled: The Eternal shall rule forever and aye.

Congregation:

On that day the Eternal shall be One, and His name shall be One.

Minister:

ALL you who mourn the loss of loved ones, and, at this hour, remember the goodness, the hope and the sweet companionship that has passed away with them, give ear to the word of comfort spoken to you in the name of your God. Only the body has died and has been laid in the dust. The spirit lives and will live on forever in the land of undisturbed peace and perfect happiness. But in this life, also, the loved ones continue in the remembrance of those to whom they were precious. Every act of goodness they performed, every true and beautiful word they spoke, is treasured up and becomes an incentive to actions by which the living honor the dead.

And when you ask in your grief: Whence shall come my help and my comfort? then, in the strength of faith, answer with the Psalmist: "My help cometh from God," who will not forsake me, nor leave me in my grief. Upon Him I cast my burden, and He will grant me strength according to the days He has apportioned to me. All souls are His, and no power can take them out of His hands. Come, then, and in the midst of sympathizing fellow-worshipers, rise, and hallow the name of God.

(The mourners standing and speaking with the Minister.)

EXTOLLED and hallowed be the name of God throughout the world which He has created, and which He governs according to His righteous will. Just is He in all His ways, and wise are all His decrees. May His kingdom come, and His will be done in all the earth.

Congregation:

Blessed be the Lord of life and righteous Judge for evermore.

Minister:

To the departed whom we now remember, may peace and bliss be granted in the world of eternal life. There may they find grace and mercy before the Lord of heaven and earth. May their souls rejoice in that ineffable good which God has laid up for those that fear Him, and may their memory be a blessing unto those that cherish it.

Congregation:

Amen.

Minister:

May the Father of peace send peace to all troubled souls, and comfort all the bereaved among us.

Congregation:

Amen.

(The mourners standing and speaking with the Minister.)

יִתְגַּדַּל וְיִתְקַדַּשׁ שְׁמֵהּ רַבָּא. בְּעָלְמָא דִּי־בְרָא כִרְעוּתֵהּ. וְיַמְלִיךְ מַלְכוּתֵהּ. בְּחַיֵּיכוֹן וּבְיוֹמֵיכוֹן וּבְחַיֵּי דְכָל בֵּית יִשְׂרָאֵל. בַּעֲגָלָא וּבִזְמַן קָרִיב. וְאִמְרוּ אָמֵן:

Congregation:

יְהֵא שְׁמֵהּ רַבָּא מְבָרַךְ. לְעָלַם וּלְעָלְמֵי עָלְמַיָּא:

Minister:

יִתְבָּרַךְ וְיִשְׁתַּבַּח וְיִתְפָּאַר וְיִתְרוֹמַם וְיִתְנַשֵּׂא וְיִתְהַדָּר וְיִתְעַלֶּה וְיִתְהַלָּל שְׁמֵהּ דְּקוּדְשָׁא. בְּרִיךְ הוּא. לְעֵלָּא מִן כָּל בִּרְכָתָא וְשִׁירָתָא. תֻּשְׁבְּחָתָא וְנֶחֱמָתָא. דַּאֲמִירָן בְּעָלְמָא. וְאִמְרוּ אָמֵן:

עַל יִשְׂרָאֵל וְעַל צַדִּיקַיָּא. וְעַל־כָּל־מַן דְּאִתְפְּטַר מִן עָלְמָא הָדֵין כִּרְעוּתֵהּ דֶּאֱלָהָא. יְהֵא לְהוֹן שְׁלָמָא רַבָּא וְחוּלְקָא טָבָא לְחַיֵּי עָלְמָא דְּאָתֵי. וְחִסְדָּא וְרַחֲמֵי מִן־קֳדָם מָרֵא שְׁמַיָּא וְאַרְעָא. וְאִמְרוּ אָמֵן:

יְהֵא שְׁלָמָא רַבָּא מִן־שְׁמַיָּא וְחַיִּים. עָלֵינוּ וְעַל־כָּל־יִשְׂרָאֵל. וְאִמְרוּ אָמֵן:

עֹשֶׂה שָׁלוֹם בִּמְרוֹמָיו. הוּא יַעֲשֶׂה שָׁלוֹם עָלֵינוּ וְעַל כָּל יִשְׂרָאֵל. וְאִמְרוּ אָמֵן:

CLOSING HYMN.

THE Lord of all did reign supreme
Ere yet this world was made and formed.
When all was finished by His will,
Then was His name as King proclaimed.

And should these forms no more exist,
He still will rule in majesty.
He was, He is, He shall remain;
His glory never shall decrease.

And one is He, and none there is
To be compared or joined to Him.
He ne'er began, and ne'er will end,
To Him belongs dominion's power.

He is my God, my living God;
To Him I flee when tried in grief;
My banner high, my refuge strong,
Who hears and answers when I call.

My spirit I commit to Him,
My body, too, and all I prize,
Both when I sleep and when I wake;
He is with me, I shall not fear.

BENEDICTION.

CLOSING HYMN.

אֲדוֹן עוֹלָם אֲשֶׁר מָלַךְ . בְּטֶרֶם כָּל־יְצִיר נִבְרָא :
לְעֵת נַעֲשָׂה בְחֶפְצוֹ כֹּל . אֲזַי מֶלֶךְ שְׁמוֹ נִקְרָא :

וְאַחֲרֵי כִּכְלוֹת הַכֹּל . לְבַדּוֹ יִמְלוֹךְ נוֹרָא :
וְהוּא הָיָה וְהוּא הֹוֶה . וְהוּא יִהְיֶה בְּתִפְאָרָה :

וְהוּא אֶחָד וְאֵין שֵׁנִי . לְהַמְשִׁיל לוֹ לְהַחְבִּירָה :
בְּלִי רֵאשִׁית בְּלִי תַכְלִית . וְלוֹ הָעֹז וְהַמִּשְׂרָה :

וְהוּא אֵלִי וְחַי גֹּאֲלִי . וְצוּר חֶבְלִי בְּעֵת צָרָה :
וְהוּא נִסִּי וּמָנוֹס לִי . מְנָת כּוֹסִי בְּיוֹם אֶקְרָא :

בְּיָדוֹ אַפְקִיד רוּחִי . בְּעֵת אִישַׁן וְאָעִירָה :
וְעִם רוּחִי גְּוִיָּתִי . יְיָ לִי וְלֹא אִירָא :

BENEDICTION.

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PRAISED be the Lord daily, for He hath shown us His wonderful kindness. Be of good courage; let your hearts be strong, all ye who trust in the Lord. Let all who seek Thee, O God, be glad and rejoice in Thee. Let those who love Thy protection ever delight in Thy help.

Lord, Thy peace be with us, the peace that spreadeth out like the heavens, like a tent to dwell in. May there be peace within us; peace in our houses, that works and words of love be in them. Let us hear what God will speak; for Thou wilt speak peace unto Thy people.

Eternal One, Thou hast shown us what is good and what Thou dost require of us, to do justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with Thee. Great peace have they who love Thy law, and nothing can offend them. Lord, give strength unto Thy people; O God, bless Thy people with peace.

Morning Service for the Sabbath.

Choir:

How goodly are thy tents, O Jacob, thy tabernacles, O Israel. Through Thy great mercy, O God, I come to Thy house and bow down in Thy holy temple in the fear of Thee. O Lord, I love the place of Thy house and the abode in which Thy glory dwelleth. And so I bow down, adore Thee, O God, my Maker. May my prayer be offered in an acceptable time; mayest Thou, in the greatness of Thy mercy, answer me according to Thy faithfulness.

מַה־טֹּבוּ אֹהָלֶיךָ יַעֲקֹב
מִשְׁכְּנֹתֶיךָ יִשְׂרָאֵל׃ וַאֲנִי
בְּרֹב חַסְדְּךָ אָבֹא בֵיתֶךָ
אֶשְׁתַּחֲוֶה אֶל־הֵיכַל
קָדְשְׁךָ בְּיִרְאָתֶךָ׃ יְיָ
אָהַבְתִּי מְעוֹן בֵּיתֶךָ וּמְקוֹם
מִשְׁכַּן כְּבוֹדֶךָ׃ וַאֲנִי
אֶשְׁתַּחֲוֶה וְאֶכְרָעָה
אֶבְרְכָה לִפְנֵי־יְיָ עֹשִׂי׃
וַאֲנִי תְפִלָּתִי לְךָ יְיָ עֵת
רָצוֹן אֱלֹהִים בְּרָב חַסְדֶּךָ
עֲנֵנִי בֶּאֱמֶת יִשְׁעֶךָ׃

Minister:

אלהי נשמה

MY God, the soul which Thou hast given unto me came pure from Thee. Thou hast created it, Thou hast formed it, Thou hast breathed it into me, Thou hast preserved it in this body and, at the appointed time, Thou wilt take it from this earth that it may enter upon the life everlasting. While the soul animates my being I will worship Thee, Sovereign of the world and Lord of all souls. Blessed be Thou, O Lord, in whose hands are the souls of all the living and the spirits of all flesh.

רבון כל העולמים

LORD of all worlds! Not in reliance upon righteousness or merit in ourselves do we make our supplications to Thee; but trusting in Thine infinite mercy alone. For what are we, what is our life, what our goodness, what our power? What can we say in Thy presence? Are not all the mighty men as naught before Thee and those of great renown as though they had never been; the wisest as if without knowledge, and the men of understanding as if without discernment? Behold, nations are but as a drop of water; they are accounted as the grains of dust in the balance. Many of our actions are vain; and our days pass away like a shadow. Our life would be altogether vanity, were it not for the soul, which, fashioned in Thine own image, gives us assurance

of our higher destiny and imparts to our fleeting days an abiding value.

We, therefore, beseech Thee, O our God, to help us banish from our hearts all pride and vain-glory, all confidence in worldly possessions, all self-sufficient leaning on our own reason. Fill us with the spirit of meekness and the grace of modesty, that we may become wise in Thy fear. May we never forget that all we have and prize is but lent to us, a trust for which we must render an account to Thee. We beseech Thee, O heavenly Father, to put into our hearts the love and fear of Thee, that we may consecrate our lives to Thy service and glorify Thy name in the eyes of all peoples. Amen.

יהי רצון

MAY it be Thy will, Eternal our God, to lead us in Thy ways, that Thy name may be honored and Israel be blessed by our actions; may we walk according to the precepts of Thy law, and, remaining firm in our devotion to Thee, may we never fall into temptation or shame. May our better nature always prompt us to do good deeds with a willing heart, and faithfully to discharge the duties of our station. Gird us with strength to govern our inclinations, and to rule them according to Thy will. Grant, O our Father, that our actions be always such as shall win favor in Thine eyes and in the eyes of our fellow-men.

Choir:—Amen.

(Congregation standing.)

Minister:

Praise ye the Lord, to whom all praise is due!

Choir and Congregation:

Praised be the Lord from this time forth and forever.

(Congregation sitting.)

Minister:

PRAISE be to Thee, O Lord, our God, Ruler of the world, who in Thy mercy causest light to shine over the earth and all its inhabitants, and daily renewest the works of creation. How manifold are Thy works, O Eternal; in wisdom hast Thou made them all; the earth is full of Thy possessions. The heavens declare Thy glory and the firmament showeth Thy handiwork. Thou formest light and darkness, ordainest good out of evil, and bringest harmony into nature, and peace to the heart of man.

With love abounding hast Thou guided us, O our God, and with great compassion hast Thou borne with us. Because our fathers believed and trusted in Thee, therefore hast Thou taught them the laws of life, and shown them the way of wisdom. We beseech Thee, O merciful Father, to grant us discernment, that we may understand and fulfil all the teachings of Thy word. Make us gladly obedient to Thy commandments and fill our hearts with love and reverence for Thee. In Thee we put our trust; we rejoice and delight in Thy help; for with Thee alone is salvation. Thou hast called us as the teachers of Thy law; Thou hast chosen us for a holy mission

(Congregation standing.)

Minister:

בָּרְכוּ אֶת יְיָ הַמְבֹרָךְ׃

Choir and Congregation:

בָּרוּךְ יְיָ הַמְבֹרָךְ לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד׃

(Congregation sitting.)

Minister:

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם. יוֹצֵר אוֹר וּבוֹרֵא חֹשֶׁךְ. עֹשֶׂה שָׁלוֹם וּבוֹרֵא אֶת הַכֹּל׃

הַמֵּאִיר לָאָרֶץ וְלַדָּרִים עָלֶיהָ בְּרַחֲמִים. וּבְטוּבוֹ מְחַדֵּשׁ בְּכָל־יוֹם תָּמִיד מַעֲשֵׂה־בְרֵאשִׁית׃ מָה רַבּוּ מַעֲשֶׂיךָ יְיָ. כֻּלָּם בְּחָכְמָה עָשִׂיתָ. מָלְאָה הָאָרֶץ קִנְיָנֶךָ׃ תִּתְבָּרַךְ יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ עַל־שֶׁבַח מַעֲשֵׂה יָדֶיךָ. וְעַל־מְאוֹרֵי־אוֹר שֶׁעָשִׂיתָ יְפָאֲרוּךָ סֶּלָה׃ בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ יוֹצֵר הַמְּאוֹרוֹת׃

אַהֲבָה רַבָּה אֲהַבְתָּנוּ יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ. חֶמְלָה גְדוֹלָה וִיתֵרָה חָמַלְתָּ עָלֵינוּ׃ אָבִינוּ מַלְכֵּנוּ. בַּעֲבוּר אֲבוֹתֵינוּ שֶׁבָּטְחוּ בְךָ וַתְּלַמְּדֵם חֻקֵּי חַיִּים. כֵּן תְּחָנֵּנוּ וּתְלַמְּדֵנוּ׃ הָאֵר עֵינֵינוּ בְּתוֹרָתֶךָ. וְדַבֵּק לִבֵּנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתֶיךָ. וְיַחֵד לְבָבֵנוּ לְאַהֲבָה וּלְיִרְאָה שְׁמֶךָ. וְלֹא נֵבוֹשׁ לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד׃ כִּי בְשֵׁם קָדְשְׁךָ בָטָחְנוּ. נָגִילָה וְנִשְׂמְחָה בִּישׁוּעָתֶךָ. כִּי אֵל פּוֹעֵל יְשׁוּעוֹת אָתָּה.

unto mankind; therefore do we joyfully lift up our voices and proclaim Thy unity. Blessed be Thou, O God, who hast revealed Thy truth through Israel.

(Congregation standing.)

Minister, then Choir and Congregation:

Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is One. Praised be His glorious name forever and ever.

(Congregation sitting.)

Minister:

THOU shalt love the Lord, Thy God, with all thy heart, with all thy soul, and with all thy might. And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thy heart. Thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt speak of them when thou sittest in thy house, when thou walkest by the way, when thou liest down, and when thou risest up. Bind them as a sign upon thy hand, and let them be as frontlets between thine eyes. Write them upon the doorposts of thy house and upon thy gates.

To the end that ye may remember and do all my commandments and be holy unto your God. I am the Lord your God.

Responsive Reading or Chanting:

Minister.

TRUTH eternal and unchanging is Thy word which Thou hast spoken through Thy prophets.

Congregation.

Thou art the living God, Thy words bring life and light to the soul.

וּבָֽנוּ בָחַֽרְתָּ וְקֵרַבְתָּֽנוּ לְשִׁמְךָ הַגָּדוֹל סֶֽלָה בֶּאֱמֶת ׃
לְהוֹדוֹת לְךָ וּלְיַחֶדְךָ בְּאַהֲבָה ׃ בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ
הַבּוֹחֵר בְּעַמּוֹ יִשְׂרָאֵל בְּאַהֲבָה ׃

(Congregation standing.)

Minister, then Choir and Congregation:

שְׁמַע יִשְׂרָאֵל יְהוָֹה אֱלֹהֵֽינוּ יְהוָֹה אֶחָד ׃
בָּרוּךְ שֵׁם כְּבוֹד מַלְכוּתוֹ לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד ׃

(Congregation sitting.)

Minister:

וְאָֽהַבְתָּ אֵת יְיָ אֱלֹהֶֽיךָ בְּכָל־לְבָבְךָ וּבְכָל־נַפְשְׁךָ
וּבְכָל־מְאֹדֶֽךָ ׃ וְהָיוּ הַדְּבָרִים הָאֵֽלֶּה אֲשֶׁר אָנֹכִי
מְצַוְּךָ הַיּוֹם עַל־לְבָבֶֽךָ ׃ וְשִׁנַּנְתָּם לְבָנֶֽיךָ וְדִבַּרְתָּ
בָּם ׃ בְּשִׁבְתְּךָ בְּבֵיתֶֽךָ וּבְלֶכְתְּךָ בַדֶּֽרֶךְ וּבְשָׁכְבְּךָ
וּבְקוּמֶֽךָ ׃ וּקְשַׁרְתָּם לְאוֹת עַל־יָדֶֽךָ ׃ וְהָיוּ לְטֹטָפֹת
בֵּין עֵינֶֽיךָ ׃ וּכְתַבְתָּם עַל־מְזֻזוֹת בֵּיתֶֽךָ וּבִשְׁעָרֶֽיךָ ׃
לְמַֽעַן תִּזְכְּרוּ וַעֲשִׂיתֶם אֶת־כָּל־מִצְוֹתָי וִהְיִיתֶם
קְדוֹשִׁים לֵאלֹהֵיכֶם ׃ אֲנִי יְיָ אֱלֹהֵיכֶם ׃

Responsive Reading or Chanting:

אֱמֶת ׃ אֱלֹהֵי עוֹלָם מַלְכֵּֽנוּ ׃ צוּר יַֽעֲקֹב מָגֵן יִשְׁעֵֽנוּ ׃
לְדוֹר וָדוֹר הוּא קַיָּם ׃ וּשְׁמוֹ קַיָּם ׃ וּמַלְכוּתוֹ
וֶאֱמוּנָתוֹ לָעַד קַיֶּֽמֶת ׃

Thou art the strength of our life, the rock of our salvation; Thy kingdom and Thy truth abide for ever.

Thou hast been the help of our fathers in time of trouble; and art our refuge in all generations.

Thou art the first and the last, and besides Thee there is no redeemer and helper.

As Thou hast saved Israel from Egyptian bondage, so mayest Thou send Thy help to all who are oppressed.

May Thy love descend upon all Thy children, and Thy truth unite them in the bonds of fellowship.

May the righteous of all nations rejoice in Thy power and exult in Thy grace.

O God, who art our refuge and our hope, we glorify Thy name now as did our fathers in ancient days:

Choir:

Who is like unto Thee, O God, among the mighty? Who is like unto Thee glorious in holiness, extolled in praises, working wonders?

God reigneth forever and ever.

Minister:

O Rock of Israel, be pleased to redeem those that are oppressed, and deliver those that are persecuted. Praise be unto Thee, our redeemer, the holy One of Israel.

Choir:—Amen.

וּדְבָרָיו חָיִים וְקַיָּמִים. נֶאֱמָנִים וְנֶחֱמָדִים לָעַד
וּלְעוֹלְמֵי עוֹלָמִים:

אֱמֶת. שָׁאַתָּה הוּא יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ. צוּר יְשׁוּעָתֵנוּ.
פּוֹדֵנוּ וּמַצִּילֵנוּ. מֵעוֹלָם שְׁמֶךָ. אֵין אֱלֹהִים זוּלָתֶךָ:
אַתָּה הוּא רִאשׁוֹן וְאַתָּה הוּא אַחֲרוֹן. וּמִבַּלְעָדֶיךָ
אֵין לָנוּ מֶלֶךְ גּוֹאֵל וּמוֹשִׁיעַ:
מִמִּצְרַיִם גְּאַלְתָּנוּ יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ. וּמִבֵּית עֲבָדִים
פְּדִיתָנוּ:
עַל זֹאת שִׁבְּחוּ אֲהוּבִים וְרוֹמְמוּ אֵל:

Choir:

מִי־כָמֹכָה בָּאֵלִים יְיָ. מִי כָּמֹכָה נֶאְדָּר בַּקֹּדֶשׁ
נוֹרָא תְהִלֹּת עֹשֵׂה־פֶלֶא:

Minister:

מַלְכוּתְךָ רָאוּ בָנֶיךָ. זֶה אֵלִי עָנוּ וְאָמְרוּ:

Choir:

יְיָ יִמְלֹךְ לְעֹלָם וָעֶד:

Minister:

צוּר יִשְׂרָאֵל. קוּמָה בְּעֶזְרַת יִשְׂרָאֵל. גּוֹאֲלֵנוּ יְיָ
צְבָאוֹת שְׁמוֹ. קְדוֹשׁ יִשְׂרָאֵל. בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ גָּאַל
יִשְׂרָאֵל:

Choir:—Amen.

Minister:

PRAISE be unto Thee, O Eternal, our God, God of our fathers Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the great, mighty, and most high God. Thou bestowest loving-kindness upon all Thy creatures; Thou rememberest the goodness of the fathers, and Thou sendest redemption to their descendants for the sake of Thy name. Thou art our helper, our redeemer and protector. Praise be to Thee, O God, shield of Abraham.

Thou art mighty, O Lord; Thine is the power to save. In Thy kindness Thou sustainest the living, upholdest the falling, healest the sick, and settest captives free. Thou wilt, of a surety, fulfil Thy promise of immortal life unto those who sleep in the dust. Who is like unto Thee, Almighty, author of life and death, source of salvation. Praise be to Thee, O God, who hast implanted within us immortal life.

SANCTIFICATION.

(Congregation standing.)

We hallow Thy name on earth, even as it is hallowed in heaven; and with the prophet we say in humble adoration:

Choir and Congregation:

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts, the whole earth is full of His glory.

Minister:

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ וֵאלֹהֵי אֲבוֹתֵינוּ. אֱלֹהֵי אַבְרָהָם אֱלֹהֵי יִצְחָק וֵאלֹהֵי יַעֲקֹב. הָאֵל הַגָּדוֹל הַגִּבּוֹר וְהַנּוֹרָא. אֵל עֶלְיוֹן. גּוֹמֵל חֲסָדִים טוֹבִים. וְקוֹנֵה הַכֹּל וְזוֹכֵר חַסְדֵי אָבוֹת. וּמֵבִיא גְאֻלָּה לִבְנֵי בְנֵיהֶם. לְמַעַן שְׁמוֹ בְּאַהֲבָה: מֶלֶךְ עוֹזֵר וּמוֹשִׁיעַ וּמָגֵן. בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ מָגֵן אַבְרָהָם:

אַתָּה גִבּוֹר לְעוֹלָם אֲדֹנָי. רַב לְהוֹשִׁיעַ. מְכַלְכֵּל חַיִּים בְּחֶסֶד. מְחַיֵּה הַכֹּל בְּרַחֲמִים רַבִּים. סוֹמֵךְ נוֹפְלִים וְרוֹפֵא חוֹלִים וּמַתִּיר אֲסוּרִים. וּמְקַיֵּם אֱמוּנָתוֹ לִישֵׁנֵי עָפָר. מִי כָמוֹךָ בַּעַל גְּבוּרוֹת. וּמִי דּוֹמֶה־לָּךְ. מֶלֶךְ מֵמִית וּמְחַיֶּה וּמַצְמִיחַ יְשׁוּעָה: בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ נֹטֵעַ בְּתוֹכֵנוּ חַיֵּי עוֹלָם:

(Congregation standing.)

נְקַדֵּשׁ אֶת שִׁמְךָ בָּעוֹלָם. כְּשֵׁם שֶׁמַּקְדִּישִׁים אוֹתוֹ בִּשְׁמֵי מָרוֹם. כַּכָּתוּב עַל־יַד נְבִיאֶךָ. וְקָרָא זֶה אֶל־זֶה וְאָמַר:

Choir and Congregation:

קָדוֹשׁ קָדוֹשׁ קָדוֹשׁ יְיָ צְבָאוֹת. מְלֹא כָל־הָאָרֶץ כְּבוֹדוֹ:

Minister:

God our strength, God our Lord, how excellent is Thy name in all the earth.

Choir and Congregation:

In all places of Thy dominion Thy name is praised and glorified.

Minister:

Our God is One; He is our Father; He is our King; He is our Helper; and in His mercy He will answer our prayers in the sight of all the living.

Choir and Congregation:

God will reign forever, thy God, O Zion, from generation to generation.—Hallelujah!

(Congregation sitting.)

Minister:

FROM generation to generation shall we declare Thy greatness and throughout all ages proclaim Thy holiness; Thy praise shall never cease from our lips.

Grant, O God, that our rest on this Sabbath may be acceptable to Thee. May we, sanctified through Thy commandments, become sharers in the blessings of Thy word. Teach us to be satisfied with the gifts of Thy goodness and gratefully to rejoice in all Thy mercies. Purify our hearts that we may serve Thee in truth. O help us to preserve the Sabbath as Israel's heritage from generation to generation, that it may ever bring rest and joy, peace and comfort to the dwellings of our brethren, and through it Thy name be hallowed in all the earth.

Minister:

אַדִּיר אַדִּירֵנוּ יְיָ אֲדוֹנֵנוּ מָה־אַדִּיר שִׁמְךָ בְּכָל־
הָאָרֶץ:

Choir and Congregation:

בָּרוּךְ כְּבוֹד יְיָ מִמְּקוֹמוֹ:

Minister:

אֶחָד הוּא אֱלֹהֵינוּ. הוּא אָבִינוּ. הוּא מַלְכֵּנוּ. הוּא
מוֹשִׁיעֵנוּ: וְהוּא יַשְׁמִיעֵנוּ בְּרַחֲמָיו לְעֵינֵי כָּל־חָי:

Choir and Congregation:

יִמְלֹךְ יְיָ לְעוֹלָם אֱלֹהַיִךְ צִיּוֹן לְדוֹר וָדוֹר הַלְלוּיָהּ:

(Congregation sitting.)

Minister:

לְדוֹר וָדוֹר נַגִּיד גָּדְלֶךָ. וּלְנֵצַח נְצָחִים קְדֻשָּׁתְךָ
נַקְדִּישׁ. וְשִׁבְחֲךָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ מִפִּינוּ לֹא יָמוּשׁ לְעוֹלָם
וָעֶד. בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ הָאֵל הַקָּדוֹשׁ:

אֱלֹהֵינוּ וֵאלֹהֵי אֲבוֹתֵינוּ. רְצֵה בִמְנוּחָתֵנוּ. קַדְּשֵׁנוּ
בְּמִצְוֹתֶיךָ וְתֵן חֶלְקֵנוּ בְּתוֹרָתֶךָ. שַׂבְּעֵנוּ מִטּוּבֶךָ
וְשַׂמְּחֵנוּ בִּישׁוּעָתֶךָ. וְטַהֵר לִבֵּנוּ לְעָבְדְּךָ בֶּאֱמֶת.
וְהַנְחִילֵנוּ יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ בְּאַהֲבָה וּבְרָצוֹן שַׁבַּת קָדְשֶׁךָ.
וְיָנוּחוּ בָהּ יִשְׂרָאֵל מְקַדְּשֵׁי שְׁמֶךָ. בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ
מְקַדֵּשׁ הַשַּׁבָּת:

For the First Sabbath of the Month.

Responsive Reading:

Minister.

REJOICE in the Lord, O ye righteous, and praise Him; for praise is comely for the upright.

Congregation.

The word of the Lord is right, and all His works are done in faithfulness.

He loveth equity and justice; the earth is full of the goodness of the Lord.

By His word were the heavens made, and the hosts of the stars by His will.

He gathereth together the waters of the sea; He layeth them up in the deep as in a storehouse.

Let all the earth fear the Lord; let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of Him;

For He spoke and it was done; He commanded, and it stood fast.

The Lord bringeth to naught the counsel of nations; He frustrateth the devices of peoples.

But His counsel standeth forever, the thoughts of His heart to all generations.

The Lord beholdeth the sons of men; He looketh upon the inhabitants of the earth.

He fashioneth the hearts of all, He considereth all their doings.

A king is not saved by the multitude of a host; a mighty man is not delivered by much strength.

Behold, the eye of the Lord is upon them that fear Him, upon them that hope in His mercy;

To deliver their soul from death, and save them in time of trouble.

Our soul waiteth for the Lord; He is our help and our shield.

Come, ye children, hearken unto me, I will teach ye the fear of the Lord:

Keep thy tongue from evil and thy lips from speaking guile.

Depart from evil, do good, seek peace and pursue it.

The Lord redeemeth the soul of His servants, and none that trust in Him shall be desolate.

Minister:

ON this day, appointed to be a season of rest and of spiritual uplifting, we would humbly approach Thee and thank Thee for so precious a gift. Each week this herald of peace cometh to us with its message ever new, giving strength to the weary, relief to the burdened, and cheer to the faint of heart. It reminds us that Thy protecting hand is over us at all times, from the beginning even unto the end of our life; that it is Thou who blessest our work and helpest us to acquire the things we need for our sustenance.

Truly, we feel Thy presence with us, O Father. As we see Thy hand in the world around us, even so

do we know that Thou art near us in the working-out of our destiny and in the varying impulses which sway our hearts. Our souls thirst for Thee, as does the hart after the refreshing waterbrook. When we would escape from the storms of earthly life, where can we find a refuge but with Thee, and when we pass through the portal of the grave, Thou wilt surely lead us to the land of everlasting peace.

Thou hast raised man high above all other creatures and crowned him with glory and honor, in that Thou gavest him the power to choose between good and evil. Teach us, O God, so to number our days that we may apply our hearts to wisdom. Help us to fulfil Thy holy purposes and to keep our consciences free from guilt. Imbue us with the spirit of holiness, and aid us to ennoble our lives by deeds of love and of friendliness towards our fellow-men.

As week swiftly follows week, and man does not regard it, so pass the years away and the end of our work draws nigh. May we so live that our souls can look upon these transient scenes with calmness and contentment, assured that at last we shall rest in the light of Thy countenance and be satisfied of Thy goodness forever. Amen.

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For the Second Sabbath of the Month.

Minister:

(Psalm xxxvi.)

THY goodness, O Lord, reacheth to the heavens, and Thy faithfulness to the clouds; Thy righteousness is like the high mountains; Thy judgments are like the great deep; Thou, O Lord, preservest man and beast. How precious is Thy loving-kindness, O God! Yea, the sons of men seek refuge under the shadow of Thy wings. They are satisfied with the abundance of Thy house, and Thou causest them to drink of the full stream of Thy pleasures. For with Thee is the fountain of life; through Thy light we see light. O continue Thy loving-kindness to them that know Thee, and Thy favor to the upright in heart.

Responsive Reading:

Minister.

THE Lord is my portion, saith my soul; therefore will I put my trust in Him.

Congregation.

It is well for man to hope and wait patiently for the salvation of God.

Although He causes grief, yet will He have compassion upon man.

For He doth not afflict willingly, nor wantonly grieve the children of men.

Who is he that saith and it cometh to pass when the Lord commandeth it not?

Let us lift up our hearts and our hands to God, our Father in heaven.

The sacrifice of God is a humble spirit; a meek and contrite heart He will not despise.

Commit thy cause unto God; He doeth great things and unsearchable.

He setteth upon high those who are low, and to those who confess and forsake their sins, He showeth mercy.

Happy the man that is corrected of the Lord; therefore murmur thou not against His chastenings.

For He bruiseth and bindeth up, He woundeth and His hand healeth again.

Why sayest thou, O Israel, my way is hid from the Lord, my judgment is passed over?

Hast thou not heard that the everlasting God fainteth not, neither groweth weary?

He giveth power to the faint, and to those that have no might He increaseth strength.

Even youths shall faint and grow weary and young men shall utterly fail.

But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength;

They shall mount up with wings as eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not be faint.

Minister:

AGAIN has come the day which bids us lay aside the burdens of care and the anxiety of the daily task. Holy fervor fills our soul when the day of freedom dawns which summons us to Thy house,

O Heavenly Father! Thou hast commanded us to work, that we may free ourselves from that bondage of nature in which all other creatures on earth are held. But in the struggle for the mastery over things material, we often forget the divine purpose of our life. Driven by the desire for gain or the longing for pleasure, we become enslaved, fettered by new wants, oppressed by new burdens. Therefore hast Thou, O Father, in Thy love appointed for us a day of rest, that in Thy presence we may regain the freedom of the soul, which comes through devotion to the higher duties of life. Quickened by Thy spirit, we may learn how to ennoble the things of earth and how to sanctify them to Thy service.

He alone who has labored well during the week, and, according to his strength, has contributed to the greater work of humanity, will enjoy the sweetness of the Sabbath. To him who, obedient to Thy law, has performed what was given him to do, the Sabbath is a fountain of joy, of hope and strength. In this spirit, O God, we would keep the day of rest Thou hast sanctified for our good. May its blessings gladden our hearts and inspire us to holier resolves and purer motives. Strengthen us, O God, and grant that new courage, new faith, new power may descend upon us and upon all who strive to do Thy will and to fulfil Thy benign purposes.

Choir :—Amen.

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For the Third Sabbath of the Month.

Responsive Reading:

Minister.

BLESSED are the undefiled in heart, who walk in the law of the Lord.

Congregation.

Blessed are they that keep His commandments, that seek Him with their whole heart.

Forever is Thy word established; Thy faithfulness is unto all generations.

Unless Thy word had been my delight, I should have been lost in my affliction.

I have seen a limit to every excellence, but Thy commandments are broad beyond measure.

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

Thy law is very pure, therefore Thy servant loves it.

Even if I am brought low and despised of men, I have not forgotten Thy precepts.

More than in riches, have I rejoiced in the way of Thine ordinances.

Open Thou mine eyes that I may see the deep things in Thy word.

By it the proud are rebuked; O remove from me their reproach and their shame.

Keep me from the way of deceit, that I may ever choose the path of truth and integrity.

By Thy precepts may Thy servant be admonished; in the keeping of them there is great reward.

Who knoweth his own errors? O, cleanse me from secret sins.

Keep back Thy servant from presumptuous sins, let them not have dominion over me.

Then will my heart be wholly Thine, and I shall be innocent of great transgression.

The work of righteousness shall be peace, and the effect thereof shall be quietness and rest.

Great peace have they that love Thy law, O God; and there shall be no stumbling to them.

Minister:

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OUR Father in Heaven, so establish this sanctuary over which Thy holy name is called, that the worship offered within its walls may be not unworthy of Thy greatness and Thy love; that every heart seeking here Thy presence may find it, as did our fathers in the Temple on Zion; and that this may indeed be a house of prayer unto all nations.

Congregation:

Our Father in Heaven, hear our prayer and bless Thy servants.

Minister:

Have pity on us and all our brethren of the Covenant of Israel; preserve us from sickness, from war, from strife; keep us from hatred and uncharitableness towards our fellow-men; and grant, that we, dwelling

in safety and walking in uprightness, may enjoy the fruit of our labor in peace.

Congregation:

May it please Thee, O Father, to hear our prayer.

Minister:

Be with all men and women who spend themselves for the good of mankind and bear the burdens of others; who break the bread to the hungry, clothe the naked and take the friendless to their habitation. Establish Thou, O God, the works of their hands and grant them an abundant harvest of the good seed they are sowing.

Congregation:

May it please Thee, O Father, to hear our prayer.

Minister:

Bless our children, O God, and help us so to fashion their souls, by precept and by example, that they shall ever love the good, flee from sin, revere Thy word and honor Thy name. May they, planted in the house of the Lord, flourish in the courts of our God; may they guard for future ages, the truths revealed to their forefathers.

Congregation:

Our Father in Heaven, hear our prayer and bless us. Amen.

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For the Fourth and Fifth Sabbaths of the Month.

Responsive Reading:

Minister.

BLESSED is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly,

Congregation.

Nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of scorners.

But his delight is in the law of the Lord, and in His word he meditates day and night.

He shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water;

That bringeth forth its fruit in due season, and feareth not the drought when it cometh.

The ungodly are not so; they are as the chaff which the wind driveth away.

I will conduct myself in the perfect way; I will walk within my house with an upright heart.

I will set no wicked thing before mine eyes; it shall not cleave to me.

Happy the man who feareth the Lord, who taketh delight in His commandments.

His posterity shall be mighty on the earth; the generation of the righteous shall be blessed.

Riches and honor shall be in his house; his righteousness shall endure forever.

Unto the righteous man there arises light in darkness; he is always gracious and compassionate.

Happy the man who hath pity and lendeth; he shall sustain his cause in judgment;

Yea, he shall never be moved: the righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance.

He is not afraid of evil tidings; his heart is firm, trusting in the Lord.

Happy are they who regard justice, who practice righteousness at all times.

Lord, my heart is not haughty, nor are mine eyes lofty; neither do I exercise myself in things too high for me.

Happy is the man to whom God imputeth no iniquity, because there is no guile in his soul.

Behold. God desireth truth in the inward heart; the deceitful man will himself be deceived.

The sacrifice of God is an humble spirit; the Most High is near to him who is of a lowly heart.

Pride goeth before downfall; but with the humble is grace and honor.

Minister:

NOW, O God, that Thou hast permitted us to see this new day and to greet its light in Thy house, we would lift up our hearts in grateful praise of Thy goodness towards us. But how can we honor Thee worthily, how thank Thee as we ought, even for the least of Thy mercies? We know not what to render Thee for all Thy benefits. And yet, must we not confess that often in the enjoyment of Thy gifts we

forget the Giver; and because of the frequency and abundance of Thy blessings we fail to count the richness of Thy bounty? Truly, we feel our ingratitude and are ashamed of it; the more so, as we are ready to murmur against Thee and question Thy goodness when our wishes are not fulfilled, and days of sadness are meted out to us. Help us, then, O God, to foster within us a constant spirit of gratitude towards Thee; to remember that not in words or songs alone should we express our thankfulness, our deeds should speak Thy praise; our readiness to let the poor share our abundance, should testify to our gratitude. In prosperity may we never be tempted to say: my strength and the power of mine arm hath gotten me this wealth; but remember that it is God who gives the strength to acquire substance. And may we bear in mind that Thou who givest, canst also take away; and when Thou takest away, may we not have cause to reproach ourselves that we have not justly and wisely used Thy gifts.

O, that our hearts may never be so carried away by our successes in life that we make idols of wealth, station or pleasure, and be corrupted in serving them. May every new blessing which we receive bring us nearer to Thee, and make us more fervent in our devotion to Thy service, more faithful to our duties and more friendly to the whole brotherhood of man. Amen.

(Turn to page 92.)

For 'Hanukkah—the Feast of Dedication.

Responsive Reading.

Minister.

SING joyfully unto God, all ye lands, sing ye the honor of His name; make His praise glorious.

Congregation.

Let all the earth worship Thee; let it sing praise to Thee, let it sing praise to Thy name.

Come, behold the works of God, how wonderful are His doings among the sons of men!

By His power He ruleth forever; let not the rebellious exalt themselves.

O bless our God, ye nations, and make the voice of His praise to be heard.

It is He who preserveth our lives, and suffereth not our feet to stumble.

Thou hast indeed proved us, O God! Thou hast tried us as silver is tried.

We have gone through fire and water: but Thou hast brought us to a place of abundance.

Come and hear, all ye who fear God, and I will relate what He hath done for me.

I called upon Him with my mouth, and praise is now upon my tongue.

If I had meditated wickedness in my heart, the Lord would not have heard me:

But surely God hath heard me; he hath had regard to the voice of my supplication.

Blessed be God, who did not reject my prayer, nor withhold His mercy from me.

Minister:

O LORD, Creator and Ruler of the world, by Thy command light springs out of darkness and order out of chaos. In Thy great wisdom, Thou hast set in conflict with each other day and night, the powers of growth and of dissolution, to the end that out of the very struggle life may gain new force, and right win greater power. Through the battle with error does truth obtain increasing strength, and through the contest with wickedness and oppression do righteousness and liberty take on new vigor.

Thou hast entrusted Israel with Thy sacred word and hast appointed him a guardian of truth, a warrior in the cause of justice, a defender of liberty for mankind. Wondrous victories for human progress and for right have our forefathers achieved by Thy help.

One of these triumphs we commemorate to-day. We remember with joy and thankfulness the valor by which the heroic Maccabees and their few followers vanquished the Syrian tyrant, who had planned the destruction of Israel's law and its faithful observers, and who had made the house over which Thy name was called, a place of idol-worship. Fierce was the contest. Vice and corruption had found their way among the people appointed to preserve the pure faith in Thee. Polluted by pagan worship were temple and priesthood, and well nigh ex-

tinguished was the lamp of Thy truth. But Judah had kindled the flame of enthusiasm in his small band of followers and they rescued Thy house and Thy law from shame and destruction. Purified and rededicated to Thy service, Jerusalem's temple stood henceforth for a principle grander than sacrificial worship and priestly pomp. Its perpetual lamp signalized the triumph of the light of Thy truth over heathen darkness, and the victory of a faith ransomed by the blood of martyrs. For this fidelity which wrought such wondrous salvation in Israel in those days and for all time, we offer thanksgiving to Thee, O Lord, who girdest the feeble with strength and breakest the arm of tyrants. Not by might nor by hosts, but by Thy spirit do right and liberty triumph.

Grant, O God, that the loyalty and the self-sacrifice of the Maccabbeans may never fail us in time to come. May the 'Hanukkah-lights serve to rekindle the light of piety and faith whenever unbelief threatens Israel's sanctuary; may they arouse within us that ardor which shall make us prize truth, justice and liberty as life's highest possessions. Hasten the day when nation shall no longer lift up sword against nation nor learn war any more, but walking in Thy light, shall dwell together as brethren in unity acknowledging Thee as the Father of all men, the Lord of righteousness, the God of peace. Amen.

(Turn to page 92.)

For the Sabbath preceding Purim.

(Psalm cxxiv.)

Minister:

HAD not the Lord been on our side, now may Israel say, had not the Lord been on our side, when men rose up against us, then had they swallowed us up alive, when their wrath burned against us; then the waters had overwhelmed us, the stream had gone over us; the proud waters had destroyed us. Blessed be the Lord who hath not given us a prey to their teeth. We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowler; the snare is broken and we have escaped. Our help is in the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

Responsive Reading.

Minister.

I WILL praise Thee, O Lord, with my whole heart; I will show forth all Thy marvelous works.

Congregation.

For Thou dost defend my right and my cause; Thou sittest upon the throne a righteous judge.

Thou rebukest nations, Thou destroyest the wicked, a desolation for ever.

Be instructed all ye who say, the Lord doth not see, the God of Israel doth not regard:

He that planted the ear, shall He not hear? He that formed the eye, shall He not see?

He that chastiseth nations, shall He not punish? He that teacheth man knowledge, shall He not know?

Happy the man whom Thou correctest, O God, whom Thou makest wise by Thy teaching.

To give him peace in the days of adversity, until his calamities be past.

Yea, the Lord is a refuge for the oppressed, a refuge in time of need.

The Lord will not forsake His people, nor abandon His own inheritance.

For His judgment shall teach righteousness, and all the upright in heart shall follow it.

The Lord shall reign forever; Thy God, O Zion, to all generations! Hallelujah.

Minister:

(Deuter. xxv, 17—19.)

REMEMBER what Amalek did unto thee by the way as ye came forth out of Egypt; how he met thee by the way, and smote the stragglers of thee, all that were feeble behind thee, when thou wast faint and weary; and he feared not God. Therefore it shall be, when the Lord, thy God, hath given thee rest from all thine enemies round about, in the land which the Lord, thy God, giveth thee for an inheritance to possess it, that thou shalt blot out the remembrance of Amalek from under heaven; thou shalt not forget.

(Esther ix.)

And Mordecai wrote and sent letters unto all the Jews that were in all the provinces of the King Ahasuerus, both nigh and far, to enjoin them, that

they should keep the fourteenth day of the month Adar and the fifteenth day of the same, yearly, as the days wherein the Jews rested from their enemies and the month which was turned unto them from sorrow to joy and from mourning into days of gladness; that they should make them days of feasting and joy, and of sending portions one unto another and gifts to the poor. And the Jews undertook to do as they had begun, and as Mordecai had written unto them; because Haman, the enemy of all the Jews, had devised against them to destroy them, but his wicked device returned upon his own head. Then Esther, the queen, and Mordecai, the Jew, wrote with all authority to confirm that these days of Purim should be remembered and kept throughout every generation among the Jews.

MEDITATION.

THIS is the Sabbath of Remembrance, when we are taken back to the beginning of Israel's history. We see our forefathers emerging from galling bondage to blessed liberty; we see them leaving their house of servitude and with ardent hopes wending their way towards the promised land. But we also see Amalek the cruel, without provocation, falling upon the weak and defenceless. In later times Haman, a descendant of Amalek, grudged the Jews the freedom granted them in their Persian exile, and

taking advantage of their dispersed state, he attempted their destruction. Although both failed in their design and brought ruin upon themselves, it was yet ordained that their evil purposes should be always remembered; and in the course of time, these two names became types of the adversaries who persecuted Israel in later centuries.

Yet, why remember these events and the enmities associated with them? Why, year after year, recall the sin of the Amaleks and the Hamans and their punishment? Does not our religion teach us that forgiveness is the duty of man, retribution the work of God? But the solemnity with which Israel condemns Amalek's barbarism and Haman's cruelty is an admonition that strong arms were given, not to destroy the weak, but to protect and defend them, and that the crafty are caught in the nets which they lay for the feet of others. May we be warned by this experience of the past, never to make the weakness of our neighbor an excuse for any injustice towards him.

May we learn to fear sin and wrong-doing even more than the wrath of foes, and consider liberty of conscience and freedom of thought as the inalienable right of every child of man. Hasten the day, O God, when all hatred, all malice and prejudice shall vanish from the earth. Let all men recognize that in Thine eyes, O Heavenly Father, all Thy children are alike, so that side by side all may labor together in love, united by a common faith in Thee. Amen.

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For the Sabbath coincident with the New Moon.

Responsive Reading:

Minister.

I WILL lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help.

Congregation.

My help cometh from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth.

He will not suffer thy foot to be moved: He that keepeth thee will not slumber.

Behold, He that keepeth Israel doth neither slumber nor sleep.

The Lord is thy keeper: the Lord is thy shade upon thy right hand.

The sun shall not smite thee by day, nor the moon by night.

The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil: He shall preserve thy soul.

The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in, from this time forth, and for ever.

Of old hast Thou laid the foundations of the earth; and the heavens are the work of Thy hands.

They shall perish, but Thou shalt remain; and Thy years shall have no end.

Lift up your eyes on high and behold who hath created these things, and who bringeth forth the hosts of the stars.

The everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth, fainteth not, neither is He weary.

Cast thy burden on the Lord, He shall sustain thee;
He will not suffer those who seek Him to fall.

Minister:

O LORD of hosts, Thou hast in Thy wisdom placed the two great luminaries in the firmament to rule the day and the night, to measure times and seasons. In fulfilling their appointed end they remind us of our own earthly pilgrimage. The moon in its waxing and waning recalls to our minds the flight of time. Truly the longest life, in Thy sight, is no more than one of its passing phases, O Thou, before whom a thousand years are but as a watch in the night.

Though we tarry here but a brief time and are taken away, yet hast Thou made us sharers in Thy kingdom of righteousness which is established forever. Thou hast kindled the light of truth in our soul, that by its radiance we may find the path that leads unto Thee. Renew our strength, O God, that like the heavenly hosts we may continue unfalteringly to follow out the course of our duties.

As the orb of night casts its reflected splendor upon the earth in soft soothing rays, so may we reflect Thy light that shines within us, that it may bring cheer and comfort to the saddened hearts of others. Let Thy truth shine forth as the sun of righteousness with healing on its wings, unto all the families of man, that every heart may be strengthened through faith and trust in Thee. Amen.

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For the Sabbath preceding the Day of Atonement.

Minister:

(Psalm xv.)

LORD, who shall abide in Thy tabernacle? who shall dwell in Thy holy hill? He that walketh uprightly, and worketh righteousness, and speaketh the truth in his heart. He that backbiteth not with his tongue, nor doeth evil to his neighbor, nor taketh up a reproach against his neighbor. He that sweareth to his own hurt, and changeth not. He that doeth these things shall never be moved.

Responsive Reading:

Minister.

O LORD! Thou hast searched me and known me; Thou understandest my thoughts from afar.

Congregation.

Thou seest my path and my lying-down, and art acquainted with all my ways.

For before the word is upon my tongue, behold, O Lord! Thou knowest it altogether.

Thou besettest me behind and before, and layest Thy hand upon me.

Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is high, I cannot attain to it.

Whither shall I go from Thy spirit, and whither shall I flee from Thy presence?

If I ascend into heaven, Thou art there! if I descend into the underworld, behold, Thou art there!

If I take the wings of the morning, and dwell in the remotest parts of the sea,

Even there shall Thy hand lead me, and Thy right hand shall hold me!

If I say, surely the darkness shall cover me; even the night shall be light about me.

Yea, the darkness hideth not from Thee, but the night shineth as the day.

The darkness and the light are both alike to Thee.

I will praise Thee; for I am wonderfully made; marvelous are Thy works, and this my soul knoweth full well!

In Thy book was everything written; my days were appointed before one of them existed.

How precious to me are Thy thoughts, O God! how great is the sum of them!

If I should count them, they would outnumber the sand; when I awake, I am still with Thee.

Search me, O God! and know my heart; try me, and know my thoughts;

And see if the way of trouble be within me, and lead me in the way everlasting.

Minister:

WE thank Thee, O God of mercy, for these earnest days of self-examination, which at the beginning of a new year are to arouse our conscience and remind us of our many shortcomings. Thou hast no pleasure in the punishment of the sinner, but that

he should return and be delivered from his evil way. Thou art ever ready to heal the broken-hearted and to revive the faint in spirit. Through Thy servant, the prophet, Thou hast spoken unto us: I will be as the dew unto Israel, and he shall bloom as the lily and shall strike roots as the cedar of Lebanon. I will heal their backsliding, for I love them. Return, O Israel, unto the Lord, Thy God, return and live.

Open our hearts to repentance, O Lord! Remove the darkness which so often surrounds our soul, that we may see ourselves, even as Thou seest us, before whose eye our inmost heart lies disclosed. Let not our daily occupations so engross our minds, as to stifle our religious life. May we in humble self-knowledge implore Thy fatherly mercy, and seek Thy pardon for our transgressions and negligences. Show unto us the greatness of Thine all-forgiving love; for we are Thy children and seek rest and healing with no savior but Thee. Teach us to realize, that to obtain Thy pardon, we must first seek the pardon of our fellow-men whom we have wronged and grieved. May we now restore the bonds of friendship, of mutual confidence and good-will where they have been broken. May we be strong enough to blot out from our hearts all bitter feelings towards those who have done evil unto us. Inscribe us in the book of life, of blessing, of peace. Mercifully guide Israel in all his ways, and turn the hearts of all nations to Thee that they may all serve Thee with one accord and make Thee their confidence and their hope. Amen.

רצה

Minister:

LOOK down with compassion, O Lord, upon Israel, Thy servant, and in Thy love at all times accept his worship. Praise be to Thee, O God, whom alone we will serve in reverence.

מודים

Minister and Congregation together:

WE gratefully acknowledge, O Lord, our God, that Thou art our creator and preserver, the rock of our life and the shield of our help. We render thanks unto Thee, for our lives which are in Thy hand, for our souls which are ever in Thy keeping, for Thy wondrous providence, and for Thy continuous goodness, which Thou bestowest upon us day by day. Truly, Thy mercies never fail, and Thy loving-kindness never ceases. Therefore in Thee do we forever put our trust.

שים שלום

Minister:

GRANT us peace, Thy most precious gift, O Thou eternal source of peace, and enable Israel to be a messenger of peace unto the peoples of the earth. Bless our country that it may ever be a stronghold of peace, and its advocate in the councils of nations. May contentment reign within its borders, health and happiness within its homes. Strengthen the bonds of friendship and fellowship between all the inhabitants

of our land. Plant virtue in every soul, and may the love of Thy name hallow every home and every heart. Praise be to Thee, Giver of peace.

Choir:—Amen.

Silent Devotion:

אלהי נצור

O GOD, guard my tongue from evil and my lips from uttering deceit. Be my support when grief silences my voice, and my comfort when woe bends my spirit. Plant humility in my soul, and strengthen my heart with perfect faith in Thee. Help me to be strong when temptations and trials come, and to be meek when others wrong me, that I may readily forgive them. Guide me by the light of Thy counsel, and let me ever find rest in Thee, who art my strength and my redeemer. Amen.

Choir:

May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in Thy sight, O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.

הלל

(To be read on Semi-holidays, 'Hanukkah and the New Moon.)

Choir:	*Minister:*
כִּי לְעוֹלָם חַסְדּוֹ׃	הוֹדוּ לַייָ כִּי טוֹב
כִּי לְעוֹלָם חַסְדּוֹ׃	יֹאמַר־נָא יִשְׂרָאֵל
כִּי לְעוֹלָם חַסְדּוֹ׃	יֹאמְרוּ נָא בֵית אַהֲרֹן
כִּי לְעוֹלָם חַסְדּוֹ׃	יֹאמְרוּ נָא יִרְאֵי יְיָ

Responsive Reading:

Minister.

O GIVE thanks to the Lord for He is good, His kindness endureth for ever.

Congregation.

Let Israel now say, His kindness endureth for ever.

Let the house of Aaron now say, His kindness endureth for ever.

Let all who fear the Lord now say, His kindness endureth for ever.

I called upon the Lord in my distress; the Lord heard me and delivered me.

The Lord is with me, I will not fear: what can man do to me?

It is better to trust in the Lord than to confide in man;

It is better to trust in the Lord than to confide in princes.

The Lord is my strength and my song; for He is my salvation.

The voice of joy and victory is in the tents of the righteous.

The right hand of the Lord doeth valiantly; the right hand of the Lord is exalted.

I shall not die, but live, and declare the deeds of the Lord.

The Lord has chastened me, but He hath not given me over to death.

Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter and praise the Lord.

This is the gate of the Lord, let the righteous enter.

I thank Thee that Thou hast afflicted me, it has been my salvation.

The stone which the builders rejected hath become the chief corner-stone.

This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

This is the day which the Lord hath made; let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Hear, O Lord, and bless us! Hear, O Lord, and prosper us.

Minister:	*Choir:*
אָנָּא יְיָ הוֹשִׁיעָה נָּא:	אָנָּא יְיָ הוֹשִׁיעָה נָּא:
אָנָּא יְיָ הַצְלִיחָה נָּא:	אָנָּא יְיָ הַצְלִיחָה נָּא:

Reading of Scripture.

Minister :

WHO shall ascend the hill of the Lord and who shall stand in His holy place? He that hath clean hands and a pure heart; who hath not inclined his soul to falsehood, nor sworn deceitfully. He shall receive a blessing from the Lord, and favor from the God of his salvation. This is the generation of those that seek Thee; those that seek Thy face, O God of Israel.

[Psalm xxiv.]

Choir :

Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lifted up, ye everlasting doors, for the King of glory shall enter. Who is the King of glory? The Lord of hosts—He is the King of glory.

שְׂאוּ שְׁעָרִים רָאשֵׁיכֶם.
וְשְׂאוּ פִּתְחֵי עוֹלָם. וְיָבֹא
מֶלֶךְ הַכָּבוֹד: מִי הוּא
זֶה מֶלֶךְ הַכָּבוֹד. יְיָ
צְבָאוֹת. הוּא מֶלֶךְ
הַכָּבוֹד סֶלָה:

(Congregation standing.)

(Minister takes the Scroll from the Ark, and turning to the congregation says :)

The Torah which God gave through Moses is the heritage of the house of Israel. Come ye and let us walk in the light of the Lord.

תּוֹרָה צִוָּה לָנוּ מֹשֶׁה,
מוֹרָשָׁה קְהִלַּת יַעֲקֹב:
בֵּית יַעֲקֹב לְכוּ וְנֵלְכָה
בְּאוֹר יְהוָה:

Minister and Congregation together:

Hear, O Israel, the Lord, our God, the Lord is One.

שְׁמַע יִשְׂרָאֵל יְהֹוָה אֱלֹהֵינוּ יְהֹוָה אֶחָד׃

Choir:

Thine, O Lord, is the greatness and the power, the glory, and the victory, and the majesty; for all that is in the heavens and in the earth is Thine, Thine is dominion, and Thou art exalted above all.

לְךָ יְיָ הַגְּדֻלָּה וְהַגְּבוּרָה. וְהַתִּפְאֶרֶת וְהַנֵּצַח וְהַהוֹד כִּי כֹל בַּשָּׁמַיִם וּבָאָרֶץ . לְךָ יְיָ הַמַּמְלָכָה וְהַמִּתְנַשֵּׂא לְכֹל לְרֹאשׁ׃

(Before reading from the Torah.)

Minister:

Blessed be Thou, O Lord, our God, Ruler of the world, who hast called Israel from amongst the nations and given him Thy law. Praise be to Thee, O God, Giver of the Law.

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם. אֲשֶׁר בָּחַר בָּנוּ מִכָּל־הָעַמִּים וְנָתַן לָנוּ אֶת־תּוֹרָתוֹ . בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ נוֹתֵן הַתּוֹרָה׃

READING OF THE WEEKLY LESSON FROM THE TORAH.

(After reading from the Torah.)

Praise be to Thee, O Eternal, our God, Ruler of the world, who hast given us a law of truth and implanted eternal life within us. Praise be to Thee, O God, Giver of the Law.

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם. אֲשֶׁר נָתַן לָנוּ תּוֹרַת אֱמֶת וְחַיֵּי עוֹלָם נָטַע בְּתוֹכֵנוּ. בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ נוֹתֵן הַתּוֹרָה:

READING OF THE HAPHTARAH.

PRAYERS FOR SPECIAL OCCASIONS.

Announcement of the New Moon.

ALMIGHTY Father, grant that the approaching month of ——— which begins on —— of the coming week may be a messenger of good tidings to us all Bestow upon us a life of health and peace, of sustenance and contentment. Aid us to spend this month in the fear of Thee and in the love of man, and so to order our way that it may be pleasing in Thy sight.

Choir :—Amen.

PRAYER.

MAY He who is the source of all good gifts, bless this congregation and be with all its members, their families and their households; may He prosper them in their various callings and occupations, help them in their needs and guide them in their difficulties. May He hear the prayers of all who worship here this morning, comfort the sorrowing and cheer the silent sufferers. May He bless those who guide and who serve this congregation, and those who contribute willingly to its support; may He reward with the joy of goodness the charitable and the merciful who succor the poor, care for the sick, teach the ignorant and stretch forth their helping hand to those who have lost their way in this world.

Fervently we invoke Thy benediction for this our country and our nation. Guard them, O God, from calamity and injury; may their adversaries not triumph over them, but the glories of a just, righteous and god-fearing people increase from age to age. Enlighten and sustain with Thy power those whom the people have set in authority; the President and his counselors and advisers, the judges, law-givers and executives and all those who are entrusted with our safety and with the guardianship of our rights and liberties. May peace and good will obtain amongst all the citizens of our land; may religion spread its blessings among us and exalt our nation in righteousness. Amen.

RETURNING OF THE SCROLL.

Minister:

O magnify the Lord with me and let us exalt His name together.

גַּדְּלוּ לַיְיָ אִתִּי . וּנְרוֹמְמָה שְׁמוֹ יַחְדָּו׃

Choir:

His glory is in the earth and in the heavens. He is the strength of all His servants, the praise of them that truly love Him, the hope of Israel, the people He brought nigh to Himself, Hallelujah.

הוֹדוֹ עַל אֶרֶץ וְשָׁמָיִם׃
וַיָּרֶם קֶרֶן לְעַמּוֹ תְּהִלָּה
לְכָל חֲסִידָיו לִבְנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל
עַם קְרֹבוֹ הַלְלוּיָהּ׃

Minister:

The law of the Lord is perfect, restoring the soul; the testimonies of the Lord are faithful, making wise the simple. The precepts of the Lord are plain, rejoicing the heart; the fear of the Lord is pure, enduring for ever. Behold, a good doctrine has been given to you; forsake it not.

תּוֹרַת יְיָ תְּמִימָה .
מְשִׁיבַת נָפֶשׁ . עֵדוּת יְיָ
נֶאֱמָנָה . מַחְכִּימַת פֶּתִי׃
פִּקּוּדֵי יְיָ יְשָׁרִים . מְשַׂמְּחֵי
לֵב . יִרְאַת יְיָ טְהוֹרָה .
עוֹמֶדֶת לָעַד׃ כִּי לֶקַח
טוֹב נָתַתִּי לָכֶם תּוֹרָתִי
אַל־תַּעֲזֹבוּ׃

Choir :

It is a tree of life to them that lay hold of it and the supporters thereof are happy. Its ways are ways of pleasantness and all its paths are peace.

עֵץ־חַיִּים הִיא לַמַּחֲזִיקִים בָּהּ וְתוֹמְכֶיהָ מְאֻשָּׁר׃ דְּרָכֶיהָ דַרְכֵי־נֹעַם וְכָל־נְתִיבוֹתֶיהָ שָׁלוֹם׃

HYMN.

SERMON.

HYMN.

Responsive Reading:

אשרי

Minister.

HAPPY are they who dwell in Thy house, they shall continually praise Thee.

Congregation.

Happy are they who thus know Him; happy the people whose God is the Eternal.

I will extol Thee, my God, O King, and I will bless Thy name forever and ever.

Every day I will bless Thee, and I will praise Thy name for ever and ever.

Great is the Lord and highly to be praised; His greatness is unsearchable.

One generation shall praise Thy works to another, and shall declare Thy mighty deeds.

I will speak of the glorious honor of Thy majesty, and of Thy wonderful works.

And men shall speak of the might of Thy deeds, and shall declare Thy greatness.

They shall remember Thy great goodness, and sing of Thy righteousness.

The Lord is gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger, and rich in mercy.

The Lord is good to all, and His tender mercies are over all His works.

All Thy works praise Thee, O God, and Thy holy ones bless Thee.

They proclaim the glory of Thy kingdom, and speak of Thy power.

Thy kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and Thy dominion endureth for ever.

The Lord upholdeth the falling, and uplifteth those who are bowed down.

The eyes of all wait upon Thee, and Thou givest them their food in due season.

Thou openest Thy hand and satisfiest the desire of every living being.

The Lord is righteous in all His ways, and merciful in all His works.

The Lord is near to all who call upon Him, who call upon Him in truth.

He fulfilleth the desire of those that fear Him; He will hear their cry and save them.

My mouth shall praise the Lord; and let all flesh bless His holy name for ever and ever.

Let us praise the Lord henceforth and for ever. Hallelujah!

ADORATION.

(Congregation standing.)

Minister:

LET us adore the ever-living God, and render praise unto Him who spread out the heavens and established the earth, whose glory is revealed in the heavens above and whose greatness is manifest throughout the world: He is our God, and there is none else.

We bow our head and bend our knee and magnify the King of kings, the Holy One, the Ever-blest.

Choir and Congregation:

וַאֲנַחְנוּ כֹּרְעִים וּמִשְׁתַּחֲוִים וּמוֹדִים לִפְנֵי מֶלֶךְ
מַלְכֵי הַמְּלָכִים הַקָּדוֹשׁ בָּרוּךְ הוּא:

(Congregation sitting.)

Minister:

MAY the time not be distant, O God, when Thy name shall be worshiped over all the earth, when unbelief shall disappear and error be no more. We fervently pray that the day may come upon which all men shall invoke Thy name, when corruption and evil shall give way to purity and goodness; when superstition shall no longer enslave the minds, nor idolatry blind the eyes, when all inhabitants of the earth shall perceive that to Thee alone every

knee must bend and every tongue give homage. O may all, created in Thine image, recognize that they are brethren, so that they, one in spirit and one in fellowship, may be forever united before Thee. Then shall Thy kingdom be established on earth, and the word of Thine ancient seer be fulfilled: The Eternal alone shall rule forever and aye.

Congregation:

On that day the Eternal shall be One, and His name shall be One.

Minister:

BEFORE we separate, we remember those who have finished their earthly course and have been gathered to the eternal home. Though vanished from bodily sight, they have not ceased to be, and it is well with them; they dwell in safety with the everlasting Spirit. Let those who mourn for them be comforted. Let them submit their aching hearts to God and truly believe that He is just and wise and merciful in all His doings, though no man can comprehend His ways. In the divine order of nature both life and death, joy and sorrow, serve beneficent ends, and in the fulness of time we shall know why we are tried, and why our love brings us sorrows as well as happiness. Wait patiently all ye that mourn, and be ye of good courage; for surely your longing souls shall be satisfied.

Rise, now, and in submission to God's inscrutable will, hallow His name, saying:

(The mourners standing and speaking with the Minister.)

EXTOLLED and hallowed be the name of God throughout the world which He has created, and which He governs according to His righteous will. Just is He in all His ways, and wise are all His decrees. May His kingdom come, and His will be done in all the earth.

Congregation:

Blessed be the Lord of life and righteous Judge for evermore.

Minister:

To the departed whom we now remember, may peace and bliss be granted in the world of eternal life. There may they find grace and mercy before the Lord of heaven and earth. May their souls rejoice in that ineffable good which God has laid up for those that fear Him, and may their memory be a blessing unto those that cherish it.

Congregation:

Amen.

Minister:

May the Father of peace send peace to all troubled souls, and comfort all the bereaved among us.

Congregation:

Amen.

(The mourners standing and speaking with the Minister.)

יִתְגַּדַּל וְיִתְקַדַּשׁ שְׁמֵהּ רַבָּא. בְּעָלְמָא דִּי־בְרָא כִרְעוּתֵהּ. וְיַמְלִיךְ מַלְכוּתֵהּ. בְּחַיֵּיכוֹן וּבְיוֹמֵיכוֹן וּבְחַיֵּי דְכָל בֵּית יִשְׂרָאֵל. בַּעֲגָלָא וּבִזְמַן קָרִיב. וְאִמְרוּ אָמֵן:

Congregation:

יְהֵא שְׁמֵהּ רַבָּא מְבָרַךְ. לְעָלַם וּלְעָלְמֵי עָלְמַיָּא:

Minister:

יִתְבָּרַךְ וְיִשְׁתַּבַּח וְיִתְפָּאַר וְיִתְרוֹמַם וְיִתְנַשֵּׂא וְיִתְהַדָּר וְיִתְעַלֶּה וְיִתְהַלָּל שְׁמֵהּ דְּקוּדְשָׁא. בְּרִיךְ הוּא. לְעֵלָּא מִן כָּל בִּרְכָתָא וְשִׁירָתָא. תֻּשְׁבְּחָתָא וְנֶחְמָתָא. דַּאֲמִירָן בְּעָלְמָא. וְאִמְרוּ אָמֵן:

עַל יִשְׂרָאֵל וְעַל צַדִּיקַיָּא. וְעַל־כָּל־מַן דְּאִתְפְּטַר מִן עָלְמָא הָדֵין כִּרְעוּתֵהּ דֶּאֱלָהָא. יְהֵא לְהוֹן שְׁלָמָא רַבָּא וְחוּלָקָא טָבָא לְחַיֵּי עָלְמָא דְּאָתֵי. וְחִסְדָּא וְרַחֲמֵי מִן־קֳדָם מָרֵא שְׁמַיָּא וְאַרְעָא. וְאִמְרוּ אָמֵן:

יְהֵא שְׁלָמָא רַבָּא מִן־שְׁמַיָּא וְחַיִּים. עָלֵינוּ וְעַל־כָּל־יִשְׂרָאֵל. וְאִמְרוּ אָמֵן:

עֹשֶׂה שָׁלוֹם בִּמְרוֹמָיו. הוּא יַעֲשֶׂה שָׁלוֹם עָלֵינוּ וְעַל כָּל יִשְׂרָאֵל. וְאִמְרוּ אָמֵן:

CLOSING HYMN.

WHO is like Thee, O universal Lord!
Who dare Thy praise and glory share?
Who is in heaven, Most High, like Thee adored?
Who can on earth with Thee compare?
Thou art the One true God alone,
And firmly founded is Thy throne.

Thy tender love embraces all mankind,
As children all by Thee are blest;
Repentant sinners with Thee mercy find,
Thy hand upholdeth the opprest;
All worlds attest Thy power sublime,
Thy glory shines in every clime.

And to Thy might and love is joined in Thee
The highest wisdom's living spring;
Whate'er to us is deepest mystery,
Is clear to Thee, our Lord and King.
O God of wisdom, love and might,
We worship Thee, Eternal Light.

BENEDICTION.

CLOSING HYMN.

אֵין כֵּאלֹהֵינוּ. אֵין כַּאדוֹנֵינוּ.
אֵין כְּמַלְכֵּנוּ. אֵין כְּמוֹשִׁיעֵנוּ:

מִי כֵאלֹהֵינוּ. מִי כַאדוֹנֵינוּ.
מִי כְמַלְכֵּנוּ. מִי כְמוֹשִׁיעֵנוּ:

נוֹדֶה לֵאלֹהֵינוּ. נוֹדֶה לַאֲדוֹנֵינוּ.
נוֹדֶה לְמַלְכֵּנוּ. נוֹדֶה לְמוֹשִׁיעֵנוּ:

בָּרוּךְ אֱלֹהֵינוּ. בָּרוּךְ אֲדוֹנֵינוּ.
בָּרוּךְ מַלְכֵּנוּ. בָּרוּךְ מוֹשִׁיעֵנוּ:

אַתָּה הוּא אֱלֹהֵינוּ. אַתָּה הוּא אֲדוֹנֵינוּ.
אַתָּה הוּא מַלְכֵּנוּ. אַתָּה הוּא מוֹשִׁיעֵנוּ:

BENEDICTION.

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Minister :

OUR God, may Thy blessing rest upon us, according to the gracious promise of Thy word:

יְבָרֶכְךָ יְיָ וְיִשְׁמְרֶךָ׃

May the Lord bless thee and keep thee!

Choir :—Amen.

יָאֵר יְיָ פָּנָיו אֵלֶיךָ וִיחֻנֶּךָּ׃

May the Lord let His countenance shine upon thee and be gracious unto thee!

Choir :—Amen.

יִשָּׂא יְיָ פָּנָיו אֵלֶיךָ וְיָשֵׂם לְךָ שָׁלוֹם׃

May the Lord lift up His countenance upon thee and give thee peace!

Choir :—Amen.

Sabbath Afternoon Service.

Canticle:

Thy righteousness, O God, is an everlasting righteousness, and Thy law is truth; Thy justice is like the everlasting mountains, Thy judgments are a great deep; man and beast Thou keepest alike. Blessed is the man that trusteth in the Lord, the Lord will be his refuge. Trust ye in the Lord for all time, for God is the rock of ages. Yea, they that know Thy name place their hope in Thee, for Thou will not forsake those that seek Thee, O Lord. Accept our prayers, O God, at this hour, in the fullness of Thy grace. Hear us, O Lord, who art our stronghold and support.

צִדְקָתְךָ צֶדֶק לְעוֹלָם ·
וְתוֹרָתְךָ אֱמֶת · צִדְקָתְךָ
כְּהַרְרֵי־אֵל · מִשְׁפָּטֶיךָ
תְּהוֹם רַבָּה · אָדָם
וּבְהֵמָה תוֹשִׁיעַ יְהוָֹה :
בָּרוּךְ הַגֶּבֶר אֲשֶׁר יִבְטַח
בַּיהוָֹה · וְהָיָה יְהוָֹה
מִבְטַחוֹ : בִּטְחוּ בַיְהוָֹה
עֲדֵי־עַד · כִּי בְּיָהּ יְהוָֹה
צוּר עוֹלָמִים : וְיִבְטְחוּ
בְךָ יוֹדְעֵי שְׁמֶךָ · כִּי לֹא
עָזַבְתָּ דוֹרְשֶׁיךָ יְהוָֹה :
וַאֲנִי תְפִלָּתִי לְךָ יְיָ עֵת
רָצוֹן אֱלֹהִים בְּרָב־חַסְדֶּךָ
עֲנֵנִי בֶּאֱמֶת יִשְׁעֶךָ :

Responsive Reading.

Minister.

HAPPY are they who dwell in Thy house, they shall continually praise Thee.

Congregation.

Happy are they who thus know Him; happy the people whose God is the Eternal.

I will extol Thee, my God, O King, and I will bless Thy name forever and ever.

Every day I will bless Thee, and I will praise Thy name forever and ever.

Great is the Lord and highly to be praised; His greatness is unsearchable.

One generation shall praise Thy works to another, and shall declare Thy mighty deeds.

I will speak of the glorious honor of Thy majesty, and of Thy wonderful works.

And men shall speak of the might of Thy deeds and I will declare Thy greatness.

They shall remember Thy great goodness, and sing of Thy righteousness.

The Lord is gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger and rich in mercy.

The Lord is good to all, and His tender mercies are over all His works.

All Thy works praise Thee, O God, and Thy holy ones bless Thee.

They proclaim the glory of Thy kingdom, and speak of Thy power.

Responsive Reading:

אַשְׁרֵי יוֹשְׁבֵי בֵיתֶךָ. עוֹד יְהַלְלוּךָ סֶּלָה:

אַשְׁרֵי הָעָם שֶׁכָּכָה לוֹ. אַשְׁרֵי הָעָם שֶׁיְיָ אֱלֹהָיו:

אֲרוֹמִמְךָ אֱלוֹהַי הַמֶּלֶךְ. וַאֲבָרְכָה שִׁמְךָ לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד:

בְּכָל־יוֹם אֲבָרְכֶךָּ. וַאֲהַלְלָה שִׁמְךָ לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד:

גָּדוֹל יְיָ וּמְהֻלָּל מְאֹד. וְלִגְדֻלָּתוֹ אֵין חֵקֶר:

דּוֹר לְדוֹר יְשַׁבַּח מַעֲשֶׂיךָ. וּגְבוּרֹתֶיךָ יַגִּידוּ:

הֲדַר כְּבוֹד הוֹדֶךָ. וְדִבְרֵי נִפְלְאֹתֶיךָ אָשִׂיחָה:

וֶעֱזוּז נוֹרְאֹתֶיךָ יֹאמֵרוּ. וּגְדֻלָּתְךָ אֲסַפְּרֶנָּה:

זֵכֶר רַב־טוּבְךָ יַבִּיעוּ. וְצִדְקָתְךָ יְרַנֵּנוּ:

חַנּוּן וְרַחוּם יְיָ. אֶרֶךְ אַפַּיִם וּגְדָל־חָסֶד:

טוֹב־יְיָ לַכֹּל. וְרַחֲמָיו עַל־כָּל־מַעֲשָׂיו:

יוֹדוּךָ יְיָ כָּל־מַעֲשֶׂיךָ. וַחֲסִידֶיךָ יְבָרְכוּכָה:

כְּבוֹד מַלְכוּתְךָ יֹאמֵרוּ. וּגְבוּרָתְךָ יְדַבֵּרוּ:

לְהוֹדִיעַ לִבְנֵי הָאָדָם גְּבוּרֹתָיו. וּכְבוֹד הֲדַר מַלְכוּתוֹ:

Thy kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and Thy dominion endureth from generation to generation.

The Lord upholdeth the falling and uplifteth those who are bowed down.

The eyes of all wait upon Thee, and Thou givest them their food in due season.

Thou openest Thy hand and satisfiest the desire of every living being.

The Lord is righteous in all His ways, and merciful in all His works.

The Lord is nigh to all who call upon Him, unto all who call upon Him in truth.

He fulfilleth the desire of those that fear Him; He will also hear their cry and save them.

My mouth shall utter the praises of the Lord; and let all flesh bless His holy name forever and ever.

And we will praise the Lord from henceforth and forever. Hallelujah!

ANTHEM:

Thus says the Lord: This is my covenant with thee, O Israel; my spirit that is upon thee and my word that I have put in thy mouth shall not depart from thee, nor from thy children, nor from thy children's children forever, saith the Lord.

READING OF THE SCRIPTURE.

מַלְכוּתְךָ מַלְכוּת כָּל־עֹלָמִים · וּמֶמְשַׁלְתְּךָ בְּכָל־דּוֹר
וָדֹר׃

סוֹמֵךְ יְיָ לְכָל־הַנֹּפְלִים · וְזוֹקֵף לְכָל־הַכְּפוּפִים׃

עֵינֵי כֹל אֵלֶיךָ יְשַׂבֵּרוּ · וְאַתָּה נוֹתֵן־לָהֶם אֶת־אָכְלָם
בְּעִתּוֹ׃

פּוֹתֵחַ אֶת־יָדֶךָ · וּמַשְׂבִּיעַ לְכָל־חַי רָצוֹן׃

צַדִּיק יְיָ בְּכָל־דְּרָכָיו · וְחָסִיד בְּכָל־מַעֲשָׂיו׃

קָרוֹב יְיָ לְכָל־קֹרְאָיו · לְכֹל אֲשֶׁר יִקְרָאֻהוּ בֶאֱמֶת׃

רְצוֹן־יְרֵאָיו יַעֲשֶׂה · וְאֶת־שַׁוְעָתָם יִשְׁמַע וְיוֹשִׁיעֵם׃

שׁוֹמֵר יְיָ אֶת־כָּל־אֹהֲבָיו · וְאֵת כָּל־הָרְשָׁעִים יַשְׁמִיד׃

תְּהִלַּת יְיָ יְדַבֶּר־פִּי · וִיבָרֵךְ כָּל־בָּשָׂר שֵׁם קָדְשׁוֹ
לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד׃

וַאֲנַחְנוּ נְבָרֵךְ יָהּ מֵעַתָּה וְעַד־עוֹלָם הַלְלוּיָהּ ·

ANTHEM:

וַאֲנִי זֹאת בְּרִיתִי אוֹתָם אָמַר יְהוָֹה · רוּחִי אֲשֶׁר
עָלֶיךָ · וּדְבָרַי אֲשֶׁר שַׂמְתִּי בְּפִיךָ · לֹא יָמוּשׁוּ מִפִּיךָ
וּמִפִּי זַרְעֲךָ וּמִפִּי זֶרַע זַרְעֲךָ · אָמַר יְהוָֹה מֵעַתָּה
וְעַד־עוֹלָם׃

READING OF THE SCRIPTURE.

Minister :

ETERNAL, our God, and God of our fathers, Almighty Ruler of the universe, who renderest just reward unto all Thy creatures; eternal is Thy love, as Thy might is infinite. Thou sustainest in mercy the living, Thou upholdest the falling, healest the sick, freest the imprisoned, and fulfillest Thy gracious promise of immortal life to those who sleep in the dust. Blessed art Thou, O God, perfect in justice and holiness.

Congregation :—Amen.

קדושה

(Congregation standing.)

Minister :

We hallow Thy name on earth, even as it is hallowed in heaven· and with the prophet say in humble adoration :

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of His glory.

Congregation :

קָדוֹשׁ קָדוֹשׁ קָדוֹשׁ יְיָ צְבָאוֹת. מְלֹא כָל־הָאָרֶץ כְּבוֹדוֹ:

Minister :

In all places of Thy dominion Thy name is praised and glorified.

Congregation :

בָּרוּךְ כְּבוֹד יְיָ מִמְּקוֹמוֹ:

Minister:

God will reign forever, thy God, O Zion! from generation to generation. Hallelujah!

Congregation:

יִמְלֹךְ יְיָ לְעוֹלָם אֱלֹהַיִךְ צִיּוֹן לְדֹר וָדֹר הַלְלוּיָהּ׃

(Congregation sitting.)

Minister:

HEAVENLY Father, Thou art One, and Thy name is One; may Thy truth unite all Israel into one holy bond of brotherhood, and may our love for one another be our crown of glory and armor of strength. Bless us, O God, on this Sabbath and grant that it be unto us a day of perfect rest and sanctification. May it strengthen us in all noble purposes and holy resolves; may it encourage us to seek truth from Thy fountain of truth, and inspire us to become holy as Thou art holy. May we all recognize that from Thee alone come the blessings of life, the fruit of labor, the sweetness of rest, the gladness and peace of the soul. To Thee and Thy service we would consecrate this day which in Thy love Thou hast sanctified for us. Amen.

HYMN.

SERMON.

HYMN.

Responsive Reading:

(Psalm civ.)

Minister.

BLESS the Lord, O my soul. O Lord my God, Thou art very great; Thou art clothed with glory and majesty.

Congregation.

He covereth himself with light as with a garment; He spreadeth out the heavens like a curtain;

He maketh the winds His messengers, the flaming lightnings His ministers.

He laid the foundations of the earth; it shall not be moved forever.

Thou didst cover it with the deep as with a garment; the waters stood above the mountains.

At Thy rebuke they fled; at the voice of Thy thunder they hasted away.

The mountains rose, the valleys sank, in the place which Thou didst appoint for them.

Thou hast established a bound which the waters may not pass.

He sendeth forth the springs in brooks; they run among the mountains;

About them the birds of heaven have their habitation, they sing among the branches.

He watereth the hills from His clouds; the earth is satisfied with the fruit of His works.

He causeth grass to spring up for cattle, and herbage for the service of man, to bring forth food out of the earth.

He appointed the moon to mark seasons; the sun knoweth when to go down.

Thou makest darkness, and it is night, when all the beasts of the forest go forth.

When the sun ariseth they withdraw themselves, and lie down in their dens.

Man goeth forth to his work, and to his labor until the evening.

O Lord, how manifold are Thy works; in wisdom hast Thou made them all; the earth is full of Thy riches!

Lo! this great and wide sea; in it are moving creatures without number, animals, small and great.

All these wait on Thee, to give them their food in due season.

Thou givest it to them, they gather it; Thou openest Thy hand, they are satisfied with good.

Thou hidest Thy face, they are confounded; Thou takest away their breath, they die and return to the dust.

Thou sendest forth Thy spirit, they are created; and Thou renewest the face of the earth.

The glory of the Lord shall endure forever; the Lord rejoiceth in His works.

I will sing to the Lord as long as I live, I will sing praise to my God while I have my being.

May sin cease from the earth, and wickedness be no more.

May my meditation be acceptable to Him; I will rejoice in the Lord.

Bless the Lord, O my soul. Praise ye the Lord!

Then may be read a chapter from the Sayings of the Fathers, after which conclude with Adoration and Kaddish, page 104, and the following Psalm and

BENEDICTION.

I LIFT mine eyes unto the hills: whence cometh my help? My help cometh from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth. He will not suffer thy foot to slip; He that guardeth thee slumbereth not; behold, He that guardeth Israel will neither slumber nor sleep. If thy Lord does guard thee, the sun shall not smite thee by day, nor the moon hurt thee by night. The Lord shall guard thee from all evil, He shall guard thy soul. He shall keep thee at thy going out and thy coming in from this time and forever.

Congregation:

May the Lord keep us and preserve us from this time and forever.

Minister:

BEHOLD how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity; for there the Lord commandeth His blessings, even life for evermore.

Congregation:—Amen.

Selections from the Sayings of the Fathers.

(PIRKE ABOTH.)

I.

MOSES received the Law on Sinai and delivered it to Joshua; Joshua in turn handed it down to the elders; from the elders it descended to the prophets, from them to the men of the Great Assembly. The last-named originated three maxims: Be not hasty in judging; gather many disciples around thee; and erect safeguards for the Law.

The motto of Simon the Just was: The order of the world rests upon three things: on law, on worship and on charity.

Antigonos of Sokho was in the habit of saying: Be not like servants who serve their master for the sake of the compensation; be like those who serve their master without a thought of reward.

Josè ben Joèzer, of Zereda, was wont to say: Let Thy house be the meeting-place of the wise: sit gladly at their feet, and drink in their words with eagerness.

Josè ben Jo'hanan, of Jerusalem, was in the habit of saying: Let thy house be wide open that the poor may enter it as were they inmates there.

Joshua ben Pera'hya said: Get thee a teacher, win a comrade, and judge every man from his favorable side.

Nittai of Arbela was accustomed to say: Keep aloof from a wicked neighbor. Associate not with a sinner. Never consider thyself exempt from God's chastisement.

Shemayah was in the habit of saying: Love work; seek not to lord it over others; thrust not thyself upon the society of the great.

Hillel said: Be a disciple of Aaron, love peace, pursue peace; love all men; and bring them nigh unto the Law.

He also was fond of remarking: He who runs after fame will find that it flies from him. Not to grow in knowledge is to decay therein; not to acquire wisdom when we may, is to sin against our soul. To boast of learning is to detract from it.

He used to say again: If I do not look to myself, who will do so? But if I look only to myself, what am I? And if not now, when?

Shammai was in the habit of saying: Fix a time for study. Promise little and do much. Receive every one with friendly countenance.

Rabban Simeon ben Gamaliel was wont to say: All the days of my life have been passed among sages and I have never found anything better for man than silence. Not research, but practice is of the most importance. He who talks much, cannot avoid sin.

He also said: Three things support the world, truth, justice and peace: as the Scripture hints, "Execute the judgment of truth and peace in your gates."

II.

RABBI Judah was in the habit of saying: In choosing the right path see that it is one which is honorable to thyself and without offense to others. Be as scrupulous about the lightest command as about the weightiest, for no man knoweth the result of his actions. Weigh the present temporal disadvantages of a dutiful course against the reward of the future, and the present desirable fruits of a sinful deed against the injury to thine immortal soul. In general, consider three things and thou wilt never fall into sin: remember that there is above thee an all-seeing eye, and all-hearing ear, and a record of all thy actions.

Rabban Gamaliel, the son of Rabbi Judah, was wont to say: Beautiful is the study of the Law when conjoined with a worldly avocation, for the efforts demanded by both stifle all inclination to sin. But all study, to the neglect of the means of gaining an independent livelihood is vanity, and may lead to iniquity. All who occupy themselves with communal affairs should do it in the name of God.

Hillel was in the habit of saying: Do not isolate thyself from the congregation and its interests. Do not rely upon thy spiritual strength until the day of thy death. Pass not judgment upon thy neighbor until thou hast put thyself in his place. Never say, sometime or other, when I enjoy leisure, I will attend to my spiritual advancement; perhaps thou wilt never have the leisure.

He also said: The boor can never be religious, the

ignorant can never be truly pious. Whoso is ashamed to ask will never learn. No passionate man can be a teacher. He whose mind is given to worldly gain will not grow in wisdom. Where a man is needed, be thou the man.

He, furthermore, said: The more feasting, the more food for worms; the more wealth, the more cares. But the more knowledge, the more food for life; the more study, the more wisdom; the more reflection, the better the counsel; the more charity, the more peace. He who earns a good name gains something that can never be taken away.

Rabbi Jo'hanan ben Zakkai used to say: If thou hast learned much, do not boast of it. for that wast thou created.

Rabbi Jo'hanan ben Zakkai had the following five disciples: Rabbi Eliezer ben Hyrkan, Rabbi Joshua ben 'Hananyah, Rabbi Josè, the Priest, Rabbi Simeon ben Nathaniel, and Rabbi Elazar ben Arakh. Once he said to them: Go forth and find out what is the best thing to cultivate. R. Eliezer said: A generous eye. R. Joshua said: A loyal friend. R. Josè said: A good neighbor. R. Simeon said: Prudence and foresight. R. Elazar said: A good heart. Thereupon, R. Jo'hanan said: I consider R. Elazar ben Arakh's judgment the best, for in his answer all of yours are included.

Rabbi Eliezer said: Thy fellowman's honor must be as dear to thee as thine own. Do not allow thyself to be easily angered. Repent one day before thy death.

Rabbi Joshua said: An envious eye, sinful propensities and misanthropy rob life of its pleasure and value.

Rabbi Jose used to say: Thy neighbor's property must be as sacred to thee as thine own. Let noble purpose underlie thine every action.

Rabbi Simeon used to say: Be particular in performing thy devotions at the proper time. Do not look upon prayer as a meaningless, obligatory task, but as a voluntary offering to God's mercy and grace. Never think thyself too great a sinner to approach Him.

Rabbi Elazar was accustomed to say: Be most zealous in the pursuit of study; be prepared always to answer a scoffer; remember in whose service thou laborest and who is thy Master that will recompense thee for thy work.

Rabbi Tarphon was in the habit of saying: The day is short, the work is great, the workmen are slothful, the reward is rich, and the Master is urgent. He also said: It is not incumbent on thee to complete the whole task, but thou art not at liberty therefore to neglect it entirely.

III.

RABBI 'Haninah, an assistant of the high-priest, said: Pray for the welfare of the government; were it not for the fear of it, men would swallow each other alive.

Rabbi Eliezer of Bartotha said: Render unto God what belongs to Him, for thou and all thou hast are His; as David said: For all things come of Thee, and of Thine own have we given Thee. (*Chronicles xxiv: 14.*)

Rabbi 'Haninah ben Dosa said: He with whom the fear of God is the beginning of wisdom, his wisdom will endure. Likewise, he who is zealous in good works rather than in learning his learning will endure.

He also said: He who has earned man's esteem and love, will also receive the favor of God; but he who is not worthy of such esteem cannot expect to find favor with Him.

Rabbi Dosa ben Hyrkan said: Sleeping away the morning, carousing at noonday, childish trifling and the company of the vulgar, waste a man's life.

Rabbi Akiba said: Mockery and frivolity are the forerunners of immorality. Tradition is the rampart about the Law, charity is the rampart of wealth; good resolutions are preservative of abstinence, and the safeguard of wisdom is silence.

He also said: Everything is foreknown by God, but man is a free agent; he is judged for his good deeds according to the quality of his acts. All that we possess is merely a trust, and over all life a net is spread out. The storehouse is open, the proprietor sells on credit; the ledger lies ready and the purchaser's hand makes the entry; whoever wishes may come and borrow; but the collectors are continually going the rounds of the debtors, and

obtain payment from them voluntarily or involuntarily; they know whereupon they base their claim, and their court is a final tribunal of justice.

Rabbi Elazar ben Azariah was wont to say: Without religion there can be no true culture, and without true culture there is no religion. Where there is no wisdom, there is no fear of God; and without fear of God there is no wisdom. Without learning there can be no counsel, and without counsel there will be lack of learning. Where there is a dearth of bread, learning cannot thrive, and lack of learning causes dearth of bread.

He also used to say: With what is he to be compared who can boast of more wisdom than good deeds? With a tree of many branches and but few roots,—there comes a storm, plucks it up and prostrates it. Thus it is said in Scriptures: For he shall be like a tamarisk in the desert, and shall not see when good cometh; but shall inhabit the parched places in the wilderness, a salt land and not inhabited. (*Jeremiah xvii:6*): But what does he resemble who can show more deeds than wisdom? A tree of few branches and many roots,—all the storms and winds may bear down and rage upon it, they cannot move it from its place. Thus it is also written: (*Jeremiah xvii:8*): He shall be a tree planted by the waters, and that spreadeth out his roots by the river, and shall not fear when heat cometh, but his leaf shall be green; he shall not be anxious in the years of drought, neither shall he cease from bearing fruit.

IV.

BEN Zoma was in the habit of saying: Who is a wise man? He who learns from everbody; for thus it is written: From all, who could teach me, I have sought to learn. (*Psalm cxix: 99*): Who is a hero? He who conquers his passions; thus the Scriptures say: He that is slow to anger is better than the mighty, and he that ruleth his spirit than he that taketh a city. (*Proverbs xvi: 32*): Who is a rich man? He who is satisfied with his lot; for thus it is said: When thou shalt eat the labor of thy hands; happy shalt thou be and it shall be well with thee. (*Psalms cxxviii: 2*): Happy shalt thou be in this world; it shall be well with thee in the world to come.—Who is honored? He who honors his fellowmen; for thus it is written: Them that honor me I will honor, and they that despise me shall be lightly esteemed. (*I. Samuel ii: 30*).

Ben Azzai was in the habit of saying: Be zealous in the practice of the slightest virtue, and flee from all manner of sin; for one virtue brings another in its wake, and one sin entails another; for the reward of virtue is virtue itself, and sin is requited with sin.—He likewise said: Despise no man, and consider nothing as too far-removed to come to pass; for there is no man but hath his day, and no thing but hath its place.

Rabbi Zadok was in the habit of saying: Wear not the Law of God as a crown to exalt thyself with, nor use it as a spade to dig therewith. He

who makes use of his learning in the Law to further his own selfish ends, loses all merit.

Rabbi Simeon was wont to say: There are three crowns: the crown of the Law, the crown of the priesthood, and the crown of royalty. But the crown of a fair name excelleth them all.

Rabbi Matithya ben 'Heresh was in the habit of saying: Give every man a friendly greeting. Be the lions' tail rather than the foxes' head.

Rabbi Jacob said: This world is, as it were, the antechamber of the world hereafter; prepare thyself in the antechamber that thou mayest be admitted to the banqueting hall.

Rabbi Simeon ben Elazar was accustomed to say: Attempt not to soothe thy neighbor in the heat of his anger; obtrude not thyself upon him when his grief is fresh; keep him not too strictly to a hasty vow; and rush not to see him in the hour of his downfall.

Elisha ben Abuyah said: Learn early in life, for then memory is a clean page whereon it is easy to write; learning in later years is like writing on paper that is already covered with writing.

Rabbi Josè bar Jehudah, from the village of Babli, said: Whom does he resemble who learns from the young? Him who eats unripe grapes and drinks the wine fresh from the wine-press. But whom does he resemble who learns from old men? Him who eats ripe grapes and drinks old wine.

Rabbi Meir was in the habit of saying: Look

not upon the pitcher but upon what it contains. Many a new pitcher is full of old wine, and many an old one does not even hold new wine.

Rabbi Elazar Hakkapar said: Envy, sensuality and ambition destroy man's life.

He likewise said: Those born into the world are doomed to die; the dead, but to live on again, and those who enter the eternal life, to be judged. Therefore, let it be recognized, understood and remembered, that He, the Almighty, the Creator, the Architect, He is the counsellor; He the judge; He the witness; He the accuser. He is always ready to give judgment: and before Him there is no injustice, no oversight, no regard for rank, no bribery. Know that all will appear in the account. Accept not the assurance of thy passions that the grave will be a place of refuge for thee. For without thy consent wert thou created, wert born into the world without thy choice; thou art now living without thine own volition, without thine approval thou wilt have to die; so likewise, without thy consent thou wilt have to render account before the Supreme King, the Holy One, blessed be He!

V.

SEVEN things mark the ignorant, and seven there are for the sage. The wise man does not speak before those who surpass him in wisdom and years;

he does not interrupt another in his speech; he does not ask questions rashly; asks with propriety and to the point; speaks first upon the matter first in order and last upon the last; when he does not understand the matter under discussion, he confesses: I do not understand it; and admits it when he has been convinced. The opposites of these things mark the ignoramus.

Four sets of views are held by men concerning property. He who says: What belongs to me shall continue to be mine, and thou shalt keep thine own, holds the common view. (Some consider this the view of the men of Sodom.) Mine shall be thine and thine shall be mine, thus say the ignorant. Mine shall be thine and thou shalt also keep thine own, thus say the magnanimous. Thine shall be mine and mine shall continue to be mine, are the words of the godless.

There are four sorts of dispositions among men: Some are easily enraged, but as quickly soothed; there the fault is neutralized by the merit. Some are slow to anger, but are calmed only with difficulty; there the merit is counterbalanced by the fault. One is slow to anger and easily pacified; he is of a gentle disposition. Another is easily irritated and hard to soothe; he is a wicked man.

There are four kinds of pupils: The one understands readily but forgets soon; there the advantage is swallowed by the failing. The other grasps but slowly and seldom forgets; there the failing is outweighed by the talent. A third under-

stands readily and is slow to forget; his is a happy talent. A fourth understands slowly and forgets quickly; his is an unfortunate lot.

The charitable are divided into four classes: He who gives but does not make others give, is unfriendly to the poor; he who makes others give but does not give himself, does not make the best use of his own; he who gives and makes others give, is called a pious man; but he who neither gives nor will induce others to give, is a cruel man.

There are four classes among the disciples of the wise: Sponges, funnels, sieves, and fans. Sponges sucking up all things. Funnels allowing all that is received in the one end to flow out at the other. Sieves letting the wine run through and retaining the dregs. Fans blowing off the bran and keeping the flour.

Love inspired by ulterior motives dies out when that motive disappears; but love without such motives never fades.

Judah ben Thema was in the habit of saying: Be courageous as the panther, light-winged as the eagle, swift as the deer, and strong as a lion, to do the will of thy heavenly Father.

The Three Festivals.

PESA'H, SHABUOTH AND SUCCOTH.

(PASSOVER) (WEEKS.) (TABERNACLES.)

Evening Service for Pesa'h, Shabuoth and Succoth.

Canticle:

Give thanks unto the Lord, proclaim His name, declare His doings among the peoples. Sing unto the Lord, for He hath done gloriously; let this be known in all the earth. From the rising of the sun unto the going down thereof, the Lord's name shall be praised. Blessed be those that come in the name of the Lord; we bless you in this house of the Lord. This is the day the Lord hath made; we will be glad and rejoice thereon. The Lord will give strength to His people, He will bless His people with peace.

הוֹדוּ לַיְהוָֹה קִרְאוּ בִשְׁמוֹ . הוֹדִֽיעוּ בָעַמִּים עֲלִילוֹתָיו : זַמְּרוּ לַיְהוָֹה כִּי גֵאוּת עָשָׂה . מוּדַֽעַת זֹאת בְּכָל הָאָֽרֶץ : מִמִּזְרַח שֶֽׁמֶשׁ עַד מְבוֹאוֹ מְהֻלָּל שֵׁם יְהוָֹה : בָּרוּךְ הַבָּא בְּשֵׁם יְהוָֹה . בֵּֽרַכְנוּכֶם מִבֵּית יְהוָֹה : זֶה הַיּוֹם עָשָׂה יְהוָֹה . נָגִֽילָה וְנִשְׂמְחָה בוֹ : יְהוָֹה עֹז לְעַמּוֹ יִתֵּן . יְהוָֹה יְבָרֵךְ אֶת עַמּוֹ בַשָּׁלוֹם :

Minister:

WE rejoice to come before Thee on this evening of our festival; in gladness we approach Thee, the Giver of all good; with fullness of heart we give utterance to words of praise.

Ever upon the coming of our festivals, each one a mark of Thy providence and protection over the people of Israel, we assemble in Thy house to give voice to the emotions which sway us when the memories of old are awakened.

When Israel dwelt in its own land as a nation, the men from all parts of the country gathered on this feast at Jerusalem, the holy city, and there, in numbers vast, Thy children offered sacrifices unto Thee and, moved by the remembrance of a common past, united as one congregation in thanking and extolling Thee. Now, that the whole earth has become their land and every place where Thy name is worshiped, their Jerusalem, the children of Israel, though scattered far and wide, still assemble on this day of sacred memories to offer unto Thee the more acceptable sacrifices of prayer and thanksgiving, and the joyful heart, and of deeds of kindness, of charity and benevolence.

We pray Thee, O our God, to lead us; grant us strength to live and work for Thy truth. May all members of the human family be bound to one another by the ties of fellowship and sympathy, so that all may be united before Thee in love and good-will. Amen.

Responsive Reading.

Minister.

I WILL praise the Lord with my whole heart in the assembly of the upright and in the congregation.

Congregation.

The works of the Lord are great, sought out by all that have pleasure therein.

His work is majestic and glorious and His righteousness endureth for ever.

He hath established a memorial of His wonders; the Lord is gracious and full of compassion.

He giveth sustenance to those who love Him; He will ever be mindful of His covenant.

The works of His hands are truth and judgment; all his commandments are sure.

They stand fast for ever and ever, and are done in truth and uprightness.

He sent redemption unto His people, He has commanded His covenant for ever.

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; a good understanding have all they that do His commandments.

Holy and reverent is His name; His praise endureth for ever.

Choir:

Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness; stand in awe before Him, all the earth. Honor and majesty are before Him; strength and beauty are in His sanctuary.

(Congregation standing.)

Minister:

Praise ye the Lord, to whom all praise is due!

Choir and Congregation:

Praised be the Lord from this time forth and forever.

(Congregation sitting.)

Minister:

PRAISE be unto Thee, O Eternal, Ruler of the world, at whose word the shades of evening fall, and by whose will the gates of morn are opened. Thy wisdom established the changes of times and seasons, and ordered the ways of the stars in their heavenly courses. Creator of day and night, Lord of hosts is Thy name. Thou, ever-living God, wilt rule over us forever. Praise be unto Thee, O God, for the day and its work and for the night and its rest.

Infinite as is Thy power, even so is Thy love. Thou didst manifest it unto Israel, Thy servant. By laws and commandments, by statutes and ordinances hast Thou led us into the way of righteousness and brought us to the light of truth. Therefore, at our lying down and our rising up we meditate on Thy teachings and, at all times, rejoice in Thy laws. In them is true life and length of days. O, that Thy love may never depart from our hearts. Praise be to Thee, O God, who hast revealed Thy love unto Israel.

(Congregation standing.)

Minister :

בָּרְכוּ אֶת יְיָ הַמְבֹרָךְ׃

Choir and Congregation :

בָּרוּךְ יְיָ הַמְבֹרָךְ לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד׃

(Congregation sitting.)

Minister :

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם. אֲשֶׁר בִּדְבָרוֹ מַעֲרִיב עֲרָבִים. בְּחָכְמָה פּוֹתֵחַ שְׁעָרִים. וּבִתְבוּנָה מְשַׁנֶּה עִתִּים וּמַחֲלִיף אֶת הַזְּמַנִּים. וּמְסַדֵּר אֶת הַכּוֹכָבִים בְּמִשְׁמְרוֹתֵיהֶם בָּרָקִיעַ כִּרְצוֹנוֹ. בּוֹרֵא יוֹם וָלָיְלָה. יְיָ צְבָאוֹת שְׁמוֹ. אֵל חַי וְקַיָּם תָּמִיד יִמְלֹךְ עָלֵינוּ לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד. בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ הַמַּעֲרִיב עֲרָבִים׃

אַהֲבַת עוֹלָם בֵּית יִשְׂרָאֵל עַמְּךָ אָהָבְתָּ. תּוֹרָה וּמִצְוֹת חֻקִּים וּמִשְׁפָּטִים אוֹתָנוּ לִמַּדְתָּ. עַל כֵּן יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ בְּשָׁכְבֵנוּ וּבְקוּמֵנוּ נָשִׂיחַ בְּחֻקֶּיךָ. וְנִשְׂמַח בְּדִבְרֵי תוֹרָתֶךָ וּבְמִצְוֹתֶיךָ לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד. כִּי הֵם חַיֵּינוּ וְאֹרֶךְ יָמֵינוּ. וּבָהֶם נֶהְגֶּה יוֹמָם וָלָיְלָה. וְאַהֲבָתְךָ אַל־תָּסִיר מִמֶּנּוּ לְעוֹלָמִים. בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אוֹהֵב עַמּוֹ יִשְׂרָאֵל׃

(Congregation standing.)

Minister, then Choir and Congregation:

Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is One.
Praised be His glorious name forever and ever.

(Congregation sitting.)

THOU shalt love the Lord, thy God, with all thy heart, with all thy soul, and with all thy might. And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thy heart. Thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt speak of them when thou sittest in thy house, when thou walkest by the way, when thou liest down, and when thou risest up. Bind them as a sign upon thy hand, and let them be as frontlets between thine eyes. Write them upon the doorposts of thy house and upon thy gates.

To the end that ye may remember and do all my commandments and be holy unto your God. I am the Lord your God.

Responsive Reading or Chanting:

Minister.

ETERNAL truth it is that Thou alone art God, and there is none besides;

Congregation.

And through Thy power alone, has Israel been redeemed, from the hands of oppressors.

Wonders without number hast Thou wrought for us, and hast protected us to this day.

Thou hast preserved our soul for life, and hast not suffered our feet to stumble.

(Congregation standing.)

Minister, then Choir and Congregation:

שְׁמַע יִשְׂרָאֵל יְהוָה אֱלֹהֵינוּ יְהוָה אֶחָד׃
בָּרוּךְ שֵׁם כְּבוֹד מַלְכוּתוֹ לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד׃

(Congregation sitting.)

Minister:

וְאָהַבְתָּ אֵת יְיָ אֱלֹהֶיךָ בְּכָל־לְבָבְךָ וּבְכָל־נַפְשְׁךָ וּבְכָל־מְאֹדֶךָ׃ וְהָיוּ הַדְּבָרִים הָאֵלֶּה אֲשֶׁר אָנֹכִי מְצַוְּךָ הַיּוֹם עַל־לְבָבֶךָ׃ וְשִׁנַּנְתָּם לְבָנֶיךָ וְדִבַּרְתָּ בָּם. בְּשִׁבְתְּךָ בְּבֵיתֶךָ וּבְלֶכְתְּךָ בַדֶּרֶךְ וּבְשָׁכְבְּךָ וּבְקוּמֶךָ׃ וּקְשַׁרְתָּם לְאוֹת עַל־יָדֶךָ. וְהָיוּ לְטֹטָפֹת בֵּין עֵינֶיךָ׃ וּכְתַבְתָּם עַל־מְזֻזוֹת בֵּיתֶךָ וּבִשְׁעָרֶיךָ׃

לְמַעַן תִּזְכְּרוּ וַעֲשִׂיתֶם אֶת־כָּל־מִצְוֹתָי וִהְיִיתֶם קְדשִׁים לֵאלֹהֵיכֶם׃ אֲנִי יְיָ אֱלֹהֵיכֶם׃

Responsive Reading or Chanting:

אֱמֶת וֶאֱמוּנָה כָּל זֹאת וְקַיָּם עָלֵינוּ. כִּי הוּא יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ וְאֵין זוּלָתוֹ. וַאֲנַחְנוּ יִשְׂרָאֵל עַמּוֹ׃

הַפּוֹדֵנוּ מִיַּד מְלָכִים. מַלְכֵּנוּ הַגּוֹאֲלֵנוּ מִכַּף כָּל־הֶעָרִיצִים׃

Thy love has watched over us in the night of oppression; and Thy mercy has sustained us in the hour of trial.

And now that we live in a land of freedom, may we continue to be faithful to Thee and Thy word.

May Thy love rule in the hearts of all Thy children, and Thy truth unite them in the bonds of fellowship.

Let the righteous of all nations rejoice in Thy grace, and exult in Thy justice.

O God, Thou art our refuge and our hope; we glorify Thy name now, as did our fathers in ancient days:

Choir:

Who is like unto Thee, O God, among the mighty? Who is like unto Thee, glorious in holiness, extolled in praises, working wonders?

God reigneth for ever and ever.

Minister:

As Thou hast redeemed Israel and saved him from arms stronger than his, so mayest Thou redeem all who are oppressed and persecuted. Blessed art Thou, O God, redeemer of Israel.

Choir:

And Moses declared the festivals of the Lord unto the children of Israel to be holy convocations at their appointed seasons.

הָעֹשֶׂה גְדֹלוֹת עַד אֵין חֵקֶר. וְנִפְלָאוֹת עַד אֵין מִסְפָּר:

הַשָּׂם נַפְשֵׁנוּ בַּחַיִּים. וְלֹא נָתַן לַמּוֹט רַגְלֵנוּ:

הָעֹשֶׂה לָנוּ נִסִּים בְּמִצְרַיִם. אוֹתוֹת וּמוֹפְתִים בְּאַדְמַת בְּנֵי חָם:

וְרָאוּ בָנָיו גְּבוּרָתוֹ. שִׁבְּחוּ וְהוֹדוּ לִשְׁמוֹ:

Choir:

מִי־כָמֹכָה בָּאֵלִים יְיָ. מִי כָּמֹכָה נֶאְדָּר בַּקֹּדֶשׁ נוֹרָא תְהִלֹּת עֹשֵׂה־פֶלֶא:

Minister:

מַלְכוּתְךָ רָאוּ בָנֶיךָ. זֶה אֵלִי עָנוּ וְאָמְרוּ:

Choir:

יְיָ יִמְלֹךְ לְעֹלָם וָעֶד:

Minister:

וְנֶאֱמַר כִּי־פָדָה יְהוָֹה אֶת־יַעֲקֹב וּגְאָלוֹ מִיַּד חָזָק מִמֶּנּוּ. בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ גָּאַל יִשְׂרָאֵל:

Choir:

וַיְדַבֵּר משֶׁה אֶת מוֹעֲדֵי יְהוָֹה אֶל בְּנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל:

Minister:

PRAISE be unto Thee, O Eternal, our God, God of our fathers, Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the great, mighty, and most high God. Thou bestowest loving-kindness upon all Thy creatures; Thou rememberest the goodness of the fathers, and Thou sendest redemption to their descendants for the sake of Thy name. Thou art our helper, our redeemer and protector. Praise be to Thee, O God, shield of Abraham.

Thou art mighty, O Lord; Thine is the power to save. In Thy kindness Thou sustainest the living, upholdest the falling, healest the sick, and settest the captives free. Thou wilt of a surety fulfil Thy promise of immortal life unto those who sleep in the dust. Who is like unto Thee, Almighty, author of life and death, source of salvation? Praise be to Thee, O God, who hast implanted within us immortal life.

WE render thanks unto Thee, that Thou hast chosen our fathers from amongst all nations, and hast called them to Thy service. Thou hast sanctified us through Thy commandments, that by Israel Thy holy name may be known over all the earth. In Thy love Thou hast ordained for us feasts of joy, and seasons of gladness. Bestow upon all who worship here the blessings of Thy holy festivals; and may we so celebrate them as to be worthy of Thy benediction. Praised be God, who sanctifieth Israel and the festivals.

Choir:—Amen.

Minister:

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ וֵאלֹהֵי אֲבוֹתֵינוּ. אֱלֹהֵי אַבְרָהָם אֱלֹהֵי יִצְחָק וֵאלֹהֵי יַעֲקֹב. הָאֵל הַגָּדוֹל הַגִּבּוֹר וְהַנּוֹרָא. אֵל עֶלְיוֹן. גּוֹמֵל חֲסָדִים טוֹבִים. וְקֹנֵה הַכֹּל וְזוֹכֵר חַסְדֵי אָבוֹת. וּמֵבִיא גְאֻלָּה לִבְנֵי בְנֵיהֶם. לְמַעַן שְׁמוֹ בְּאַהֲבָה: מֶלֶךְ עוֹזֵר וּמוֹשִׁיעַ וּמָגֵן. בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ מָגֵן אַבְרָהָם:

אַתָּה גִּבּוֹר לְעוֹלָם אֲדֹנָי. רַב לְהוֹשִׁיעַ. מְכַלְכֵּל חַיִּים בְּחֶסֶד. מְחַיֵּה הַכֹּל בְּרַחֲמִים רַבִּים. סוֹמֵךְ נוֹפְלִים וְרוֹפֵא חוֹלִים וּמַתִּיר אֲסוּרִים. וּמְקַיֵּם אֱמוּנָתוֹ לִישֵׁנֵי עָפָר. מִי כָמוֹךְ בַּעַל גְּבוּרוֹת. וּמִי דוֹמֶה־לָּךְ. מֶלֶךְ מֵמִית וּמְחַיֶּה. וּמַצְמִיחַ יְשׁוּעָה: בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ נֹטֵעַ בְּתוֹכֵנוּ חַיֵּי עוֹלָם:

אַתָּה בְחַרְתָּנוּ מִכָּל הָעַמִּים לִהְיוֹת לְךָ לְעַם סְגֻלָּה. וְקִדַּשְׁתָּנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתֶיךָ. וְקֵרַבְתָּנוּ מַלְכֵּנוּ לַעֲבוֹדָתֶךָ. וְשִׁמְךָ הַגָּדוֹל וְהַקָּדוֹשׁ עָלֵינוּ קָרָאתָ: וַתִּתֶּן־לָנוּ יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ מוֹעֲדִים לְשִׂמְחָה. חַגִּים וּזְמַנִּים לְשָׂשׂוֹן: וְהַשִּׂיאֵנוּ יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ אֶת בִּרְכַּת מוֹעֲדֵי קָדְשֶׁךָ. כַּאֲשֶׁר רָצִיתָ וְאָמַרְתָּ לְבָרְכֵנוּ. בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ מְקַדֵּשׁ יִשְׂרָאֵל וְהַזְּמַנִּים:

Responsive Reading:

(Psalm cvii.)

Minister.

O GIVE thanks to the Lord, for He is good; for His mercy endureth forever!

Congregation.

So let the redeemed of the Lord say, whom He hath redeemed from the hands of the enemy;

Whom he hath gathered out of the lands, from the east and the west, from the north and the south.

They wandered in the wilderness, they found no way to a city to dwell in.

They were hungry and thirsty, and their souls fainted within them.

Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble, and He delivered them out of their distress.

He led them in a straight way, till they came to a city where they might dwell.

Choir:

O let them praise the Lord for His goodness, for His wonderful works to the children of men!

Minister.

For He satisfieth the longing soul, and the hungry He filleth with good.

Congregation.

They dwelt in darkness and the shadow of death, being bound in affliction and iron.

But they cried to the Lord in their trouble, and He saved them out of their distress.

He brought them out of darkness and the shadow of death, and broke their bands asunder.

O let them praise the Lord for His goodness, for His wonderful works to the children of men.

For He hath broken the gates of brass, and cut the bars of iron asunder.

Let them offer the sacrifices of thanksgiving, and declare His works with joy.

Choir:

Whoso is wise, let him observe this, and have regard to the loving-kindness of the Lord!

Minister.

I rejoice that the Lord hath heard the voice of my supplication.

Congregation.

He hath inclined His ear to me and heard me; I will call upon Him as long as I live.

Gracious is the Lord and righteous; the Lord, our God, is merciful.

Return, O my soul, to thy rest; for the Lord hath dealt kindly with thee.

What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me?

I will lift up the cup of salvation, and call upon the name of the Lord;

Hear, O Lord, for I am Thy servant; Thou hast loosed my bonds.

I will offer to Thee the sacrifice of thanksgiving, and will call upon the name of the Lord.

The Lord hath been mindful of us; He will bless the house of Israel.

He will bless them that fear the Lord, both small and great.

Blessed are ye of the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

We will praise the Lord henceforth and for ever, Hallelujah!

For the First Day of Pesa'h.

NOT unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but unto Thy name shall be the praise for all the mercy and all the truth which Thou hast shown to Israel. Memories of the past fill our minds at this hour. We recall the days of old when Israel groaned under the yoke of oppression, and when Moses appeared before the people with the gracious message of redemption from on high: I, the Eternal, will bring you from under your burdens and deliver you from your bondage. And since those days, in the long succession of trials and sufferings, our fathers stayed their hearts on Thine ancient promises. Thy goodness has never failed us, Thy mercy has never left us to despair. In every generation Thou hast raised up prophets of liberty and defenders of right; godly men, whose flaming words infused new courage into the drooping hearts and whose deeds broke the shackles of the enslaved.

We thank Thee, O God, our redeemer, that our lot has fallen in this happy land, where liberty and right are firmly established, and that we belong to a nation that loveth right and pursueth peace. May we be penetrated with a deep sense of our duties as free men, and when we are gathered in our homes in happy family-reunion, think of those who still eat the bread of misery, who still groan under the yoke of oppression. O, that the messengers of redemption may soon appear and announce to them a year of release; that those who hunger after righteousness and truth may be satisfied and the hope of Israel's witness unto the nations be fulfilled throughout mankind.

Praise be to Thee, O Eternal, our God, who hast preserved us in life and granted us this season of sacred joy. Amen.

Choir:

Sing to the Lord a new song; for He hath done marvelous things; His own right hand and His holy arm have gotten Him the victory.

The Lord hath made known His salvation; His righteousness hath He manifested in the sight of the nations.

He remembered His mercy and His truth toward the house of Israel, and all the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

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For the Seventh Day of Pesa'h.

Minister:

(Psalm cxiv.)

WHEN Israel came forth from Egypt, the house of Jacob from a people of strange language, Judah was God's sanctuary, and Israel His dominion. The sea beheld, and fled; the Jordan turned back. The mountains skipped like rams, and the hills like lambs. What aileth thee, O sea; that thou fleest? thou Jordan, that thou turnest back? Ye mountains, that ye skip like rams, and ye hills like lambs? Tremble, O earth, at the presence of the Lord, at the presence of the God of Jacob; who turned the rock into a standing lake, and the flint into a fountain of water!

WITH songs and with praises we come before Thee, O God, at the outgoing of this Feast of Pesa'h, even as we entered Thy house at its opening-day. Again we are gathered in holy convocation to consecrate ourselves in earnest reflection, by the inspiration of this day's teachings. With joy and gratitude we acknowledge the loving-kindness with which Thou didst lead our people in all the ages past, the wondrous might with which Thou didst deliver them from the bonds of pitiless kings, and pray Thee to grant us Thy help for thefulfillment of the mission to which Thou didst appoint Israel. Rejoicing in our liberty may we remember that it is a sacred trust to be used only for the highest good and

the purest purposes. O may Thy strong hand and out stretched arm work deliverance to those who are still in bondage and send tidings of good to those who have no refuge but Thee.

May all our past experiences inspire us to labor with zeal and self-sacrifice for the great aims which these days set before us. May all our deeds tend to our own lasting good and to the redemption of our fellow-men from the bondage of error and the thrall of sin. Through the purity of our motives and our actions may we help to sanctify all human life and glorify Thy name in all the earth. Amen.

Choir:

The voice of joy and salvation is in the dwellings of the righteous. The right hand of the Lord bringeth mighty things to pass.

This is the day which the Lord hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

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For Shabuoth.

Minister:

GOD and Father, our hearts are filled with joy on the festival which comes to us every year at this gladsome season; which brings the gifts of Thy bounty and clothes nature in radiant beauty. Gratefully recognizing the riches of Thy blessings, our fathers brought the first fruits of their harvests to Thine altar; we are to-day stirred with the same sense of thankfulness, and not only for the plentiful fruit in garden and field; we likewise remember the first ripening of the fruits of the spirit, implanted in the heart of mankind, when Thou didst reveal Thy Law unto Israel. Then were the people betrothed unto the Lord; as in bridal attire, the congregation stood at the foot of Sinai, feeling Thy presence with them, and hearing, as tho' it were a voice: I betroth thee unto me forever; I betroth thee unto me in righteousness and justice, in love and kindness; I betroth thee unto me in faithfulness that thou mayest know God. And the congregation answered with gladness: All that the Lord shall say we will do and hearken. This self-consecrating vow their children after them have ever striven to keep faithfully. Through desert wilds, through swelling floods, midst threatening hosts they passed undismayed and, upheld by Thine arms, remained faithful even unto death.

Thy word has been our sword of victory in the day of battle, our shield of protection in ceaseless

perils. The revelation on Sinai has become a light of truth and righteousness to the nations; Thy promises, given through the prophet's inspired lips, are yet the hope of the world; and Israel still desires to be the guardian of Thy truth, and to continue in the keeping of Thy covenant. Every year our faith is revived in our own breast when our sons and daughters enter for themselves into Israel's ancient obligation; when they vow to do and to hear the will of God, with the same glow of devotion with which their forefathers pledged their fealty to the holy God.

May Thy word not cease to be a lamp to our feet and a light on all our ways. Consecrate us to be Thy witnesses and Thy heralds for the continual service to mankind; what Israel was in the past, so may we be in these days of greater freedom and broader views of life. May Thy covenant of love encompass all the children of men; may the seed of Israel's truth bring forth harvests of salvation and peace in every land and to every race. May all nations flock to that holy mountain where God commandeth blessing, even life for evermore. Amen.

Choir:

Mercy and truth shall meet together, righteousness and peace shall kiss each other. Truth shall spring out of the earth; righteousness shall look down from heaven. Righteousness shall go before Him, and set us in the way of His steps.

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For Succoth.

Minister:

IN Thy goodness, O God, hast Thou enriched the earth and watered it abundantly. The pastures are dropping with plenty, the hills are girt with gladness, the meadows clothed with flocks, the valleys robed with golden grain. Thou hast blessed the soil and all that grows on it. Thou hast crowned the year with plenty. Therefore we joyously enter Thy sanctuary on this Feast of Succoth with the offerings of our thanksgivings, with songs of praise to Thy name.

We come into Thy courts, O God, not with the praises of our lips only, but with the pious resolves of our hearts to sanctify all these Thy gifts to the highest purposes. Thou hast put all things into our power, that we may apply them to the service of humanity, that we may ennoble our lives, and glorify Thee, the Creator of all.

Thy love is boundless. It embraces all Thy creatures. From the little seed Thou callest forth the blossom and the fruit. So in the humblest soul the seeds of righteousness may blossom into the beauty of a noble life.

Thou hast created abundantly for all our wants. Round about us Thy glories shine to enrich our hearts and ennoble our souls. Open our eyes that we may find delight in the endless wonders of Thy

creation. O may we, in grateful acknowledgment of Thy bounties, extend the blessings we enjoy, unto others, and find the true wealth and beauty of life in deeds of benevolence and mercy.

The abundance of Thy paternal blessings recalls to us the love Thou didst show to our fathers in the dreary wilderness: in their journey through the desert the wanderers found shelter from the scorching heat and the raging tempest. Thou didst sustain Israel in drought and keep him alive in famine. Therefore our souls rely on Thee. Thou art our support, our shield and our deliverer. We rejoice in Thee, and praise Thee, O God of love and of mercy. Amen.

Choir:

O God, be merciful to us, and cause Thy face to shine upon us, that Thy doings may be known on earth, and Thy saving power amongst all nations.

Let the nations praise Thee, O God; yea, let all the nations praise Thee! For the earth has yielded her increase, and God, our Lord, hath blessed us.

May God continue to bless us, and may all the ends of the earth worship Him.

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For Sh'mini Atsereth.

Minister:

(Psalm lxxxix.)

I WILL sing of the mercies of the Lord forever; I will make known Thy faithfulness to all generations. For I know that Thy mercy endureth forever; Thou hast established Thy truth like the heavens. The heavens shall praise Thy wonders, O Lord, and the assembly of the holy ones Thy truth. Who in the heavens can be compared to the Lord, who is like the Eternal among the mighty? O Lord, God of hosts, who is mighty like Thee, and Thy faithfulness is around about Thee. Thou rulest the raging of the sea; when the waves thereof rise, Thou stillest them. The heavens are Thine; Thine also is the earth; the world and all that is therein, Thou didst found them. Thine is a mighty arm; strong is Thy right hand. Justice and equity are the foundation of Thy throne; mercy and truth are before Thy face. Happy the people that know the joyous sound; they walk, O Lord, in the light of Thy countenance. In Thy name they daily rejoice, and in Thy righteousness they glory. For Thou art the glory of their strength; yea, through Thy favor are we exalted.

WE thank Thee, O God, for all the spiritual blessings which this month has brought us; truly, we draw waters of joy from the fountains of salvation. We are assembled before Thee again to praise Thee for the fruit of the field that has been stored, and

for the plentiful harvest that has been garnered. May we feel in our hearts how merciful Thou hast been to our land and how richly Thou hast blessed our nation; and may we remember our duties to the poor, the widow, the orphan and the stranger that are in our midst; may we take thought of them before the winter arrives which so greatly increases their wants and their sufferings; and may we, by making them welcome sharers of Thy bounty, give to our thanks-offerings that sweet savor that will render them acceptable unto Thee. We shall be comforted when the vanishing beauty of summer and autumn's falling leaves remind us of the transient nature of our own lives and awaken sad memories of those whom no returning spring can restore to us on earth. For we shall feel that if man himself passes away, his good works endure; his deeds of mercy, sown into the furrows of time, strike root and bring forth blessings manifold.

Mayest Thou, O God, send a ray of joy into every afflicted soul, so that we all, with one accord, may be able to say: Truly, this is the day which the Lord hath made, let us be glad and rejoice in it.

Choir:

The Lord is my strength and song, and He is become my salvation; therefore with joy shall ye draw water out of the fountains of salvation.

Sing unto the Lord, for He has done excellent things; let this be known in all the earth! Hallelujah!

ADORATION.

(Congregation standing.)

Minister:

LET us adore the ever-living God, and render praise unto Him who spread out the heavens and established the earth, whose glory is revealed in the heavens above and whose greatness is manifest throughout the world: He is our God, and there is none else.

We bow our head and bend our knee and magnify the King of kings, the Holy One, the Ever-blest.

Choir and Congregation:

וַאֲנַחְנוּ כֹּרְעִים וּמִשְׁתַּחֲוִים וּמוֹדִים לִפְנֵי מֶלֶךְ
מַלְכֵי הַמְּלָכִים הַקָּדוֹשׁ בָּרוּךְ הוּא:

(Congregation sitting.)

Minister:

MAY the time not be distant, O God, when Thy name shall be worshiped over all the earth, when unbelief shall disappear and error be no more. We fervently pray that the day may come upon which all men shall invoke Thy name, when corruption and evil shall give way to purity and goodness; when superstition shall no longer enslave the minds, nor idolatry blind the eyes, when all inhabitants of

the earth shall perceive that to Thee alone every knee must bend and every tongue give homage. O may all, created in Thine image, recognize that they are brethren, so that they, one in spirit and one in fellowship, may be forever united before Thee. Then shall Thy kingdom be established on earth, and the word of Thine ancient seer be fulfilled: The Eternal shall rule forever and aye.

Congregation:

On that day the Eternal shall be One, and His name shall be One.

Minister:

IN Thy divine wisdom and justice which is past our finding out, Thou hast called from this earth many of our cherished kin: and hearts newly bereaved are desolate now that a dear one has gone from their side. These visitations that come to every home remind us that although our stay on earth is but a pilgrimage, it is yet a part of a larger destiny. Of a surety Thou wilt fulfill Thy promise to those who sleep in the dust. Help us to understand that death does not annihilate the spirit but liberates it, that though we walk through the valley of the shadow of death, we fear no evil, for Thou art with us. May we see Thy love even in our bereavements and never doubt Thy compassion when we are in sorrow and tears. May our faith in Thy wisdom and justice give us strength in the midst of our grief, to sanctify Thy name and to say:

(The mourners standing and speaking with the Minister.)

EXTOLLED and hallowed be the name of God throughout the world which He has created, and which He governs according to His righteous will. Just is He in all His ways, and wise are all His decrees. May His kingdom come, and His will be done in all the earth.

Congregation:

Blessed be the Lord of life and righteous Judge for evermore.

Minister:

To the departed whom we now remember, may peace and bliss be granted in the world of eternal life. There may they find grace and mercy before the Lord of heaven and earth. May their souls rejoice in that ineffable good which God has laid up for those that fear Him, and may their memory be a blessing unto those that cherish it.

Congregation:

Amen.

Minister:

May the Father of peace send peace to all troubled souls, and comfort all the bereaved among us.

Congregation:

Amen.

(The mourners standing and speaking with the Minister.)

יִתְגַּדַּל וְיִתְקַדַּשׁ שְׁמֵהּ רַבָּא. בְּעָלְמָא דִּי־בְרָא כִרְעוּתֵהּ. וְיַמְלִיךְ מַלְכוּתֵהּ. בְּחַיֵּיכוֹן וּבְיוֹמֵיכוֹן וּבְחַיֵּי דְכָל בֵּית יִשְׂרָאֵל. בַּעֲגָלָא וּבִזְמַן קָרִיב. וְאִמְרוּ אָמֵן:

Congregation:

יְהֵא שְׁמֵהּ רַבָּא מְבָרַךְ. לְעָלַם וּלְעָלְמֵי עָלְמַיָּא:

Minister:

יִתְבָּרַךְ וְיִשְׁתַּבַּח וְיִתְפָּאַר וְיִתְרוֹמַם וְיִתְנַשֵּׂא וְיִתְהַדָּר וְיִתְעַלֶּה וְיִתְהַלָּל שְׁמֵהּ דְּקוּדְשָׁא. בְּרִיךְ הוּא. לְעֵלָּא מִן כָּל בִּרְכָתָא וְשִׁירָתָא. תֻּשְׁבְּחָתָא וְנֶחֱמָתָא. דַּאֲמִירָן בְּעָלְמָא. וְאִמְרוּ אָמֵן:

עַל יִשְׂרָאֵל וְעַל צַדִּיקַיָּא. וְעַל־כָּל־מַן דְּאִתְפְּטַר מִן עָלְמָא הָדֵין כִּרְעוּתֵהּ דֶּאֱלָהָא. יְהֵא לְהוֹן שְׁלָמָא רַבָּא וְחוּלָקָא טָבָא לְחַיֵּי עָלְמָא דְּאָתֵי. וְחִסְדָּא וְרַחֲמֵי מִן־קֳדָם מָרֵא שְׁמַיָּא וְאַרְעָא. וְאִמְרוּ אָמֵן:

יְהֵא שְׁלָמָא רַבָּא מִן־שְׁמַיָּא וְחַיִּים. עָלֵינוּ וְעַל־כָּל־יִשְׂרָאֵל. וְאִמְרוּ אָמֵן:

עֹשֶׂה שָׁלוֹם בִּמְרוֹמָיו. הוּא יַעֲשֶׂה שָׁלוֹם עָלֵינוּ וְעַל כָּל יִשְׂרָאֵל. וְאִמְרוּ אָמֵן:

CLOSING HYMN.

EXTOLLED be the living God and praised! He existeth, but His existence is not bounded by time.

He is One, but there is no unity like unto His unity; He is incomprehensible, and His unity is unending.

He hath no material form; He is incorporeal; and naught that is, can be compared to Him in holiness.

He existed before all created things; He is the first, there is no beginning to His existence.

Behold! He is the Lord of the world; and the whole creation revealeth His power and His dominion.

The inspiration of prophecy did He bestow on men of His chosen people.

There never arose a prophet in Israel like unto Moses, who saw visions of God like him.

A true law hath God given to His people, by the hand of His prophet, to the faithful in all His house.

God will never alter His law nor change it for any other.

He beholdeth and knoweth our secret things; for He vieweth the end of a thing at its commencement.

He rewardeth the good man according to his good deeds, and punisheth the wicked after their wickedness.

Life eternal hath He planted within us. Blessed be His glorious name for ever.

CLOSING HYMN.

יִגְדַּל אֱלֹהִים חַי וְיִשְׁתַּבַּח נִמְצָא וְאֵין עֵת אֶל מְצִיאוּתוֹ׃

אֶחָד וְאֵין יָחִיד כְּיִחוּדוֹ נֶעְלָם וְגַם אֵין סוֹף לְאַחְדּוּתוֹ׃

אֵין לוֹ דְמוּת הַגּוּף וְאֵינוֹ גוּף לֹא נַעֲרוֹךְ אֵלָיו קְדֻשָּׁתוֹ׃

קַדְמוֹן לְכָל דָּבָר אֲשֶׁר נִבְרָא רִאשׁוֹן וְאֵין רֵאשִׁית לְרֵאשִׁיתוֹ׃

הִנּוֹ אֲדוֹן עוֹלָם לְכָל נוֹצָר יוֹרֶה גְדֻלָּתוֹ וּמַלְכוּתוֹ׃

שֶׁפַע נְבוּאָתוֹ נְתָנוֹ אֶל אַנְשֵׁי סְגֻלָּתוֹ וְתִפְאַרְתּוֹ׃

לֹא קָם בְּיִשְׂרָאֵל כְּמֹשֶׁה עוֹד נָבִיא וּמַבִּיט אֶת תְּמוּנָתוֹ׃

תּוֹרַת אֱמֶת נָתַן לְעַמּוֹ אֵל עַל יַד נְבִיאוֹ נֶאֱמַן בֵּיתוֹ׃

לֹא יַחֲלִיף הָאֵל וְלֹא יָמִיר דָּתוֹ לְעוֹלָמִים לְזוּלָתוֹ׃

צוֹפֶה וְיוֹדֵעַ סְתָרֵינוּ מַבִּיט לְסוֹף דָּבָר בְּקַדְמָתוֹ׃

גּוֹמֵל לְאִישׁ חֶסֶד כְּמִפְעָלוֹ נוֹתֵן לְרָשָׁע רָע כְּרִשְׁעָתוֹ׃

יִשְׁלַח לְקֵץ יָמִין פְּדוּת עוֹלָם כָּל חַי וָיֵשׁ יַכִּיר יְשׁוּעָתוֹ׃

חַיֵּי עוֹלָם נָטַע בְּתוֹכֵנוּ. בָּרוּךְ עֲדֵי עַד שֵׁם תְּהִלָּתוֹ׃

BENEDICTION.

THE Lord, our God, be with us, as He was with our fathers. May we incline our hearts unto Him, to walk in His ways, and remember the teachings which He revealed to our fathers, that Israel's task may be fulfilled and all the people on earth may know that the Eternal is God and that there is none else.

Thou art our guardian; Thou wilt not leave us nor forsake us. Preserve us from all evil; watch over our going out and our coming in; preserve our life and our peace, from this time forth and for evermore.

Our help cometh from the Lord, who made heaven and earth. Send forth Thy light and Thy truth, that they may guide us and lead us unto Thy holy hill, and to Thy dwelling.

Lord, give strength unto Thy people, bless Thy people with peace. Thy peace be in our houses, that love may abound, and in this congregation, that no discord dwell among brethren. Thy peace be unto this city, unto our country, unto all men.

Morning Service for Pesa'h, Shabuoth and Succoth.

Choir :

(Psalm c.)

Sing aloud unto the Lord all the earth; serve the Lord with gladness; come before His presence with song. Know ye that the Lord is God; it is He that has created us, His we are, His people and the flock of His pasture. Enter into His gates with thanksgiving and into His courts with praise; be thankful unto Him and bless His name. For the Lord is good; His mercy is everlasting; His faithfulness endureth forever.

הָרִיעוּ לַיְיָ כָּל־הָאָרֶץ׃
עִבְדוּ אֶת־יְיָ בְּשִׂמְחָה ·
בֹּאוּ לְפָנָיו בִּרְנָנָה׃ דְּעוּ
כִּי־יְיָ הוּא אֱלֹהִים · הוּא
עָשָׂנוּ · וְלוֹ אֲנַחְנוּ · עַמּוֹ
וְצֹאן מַרְעִיתוֹ׃ בֹּאוּ
שְׁעָרָיו בְּתוֹדָה · חֲצֵרֹתָיו
בִּתְהִלָּה · הוֹדוּ לוֹ בָּרְכוּ
שְׁמוֹ׃ כִּי טוֹב יְיָ · לְעוֹלָם
חַסְדּוֹ · וְעַד־דֹּר וָדֹר
אֱמוּנָתוֹ׃

Minister:

HOW lovely are Thy dwelling-places, O Lord of hosts; better is a day in Thy courts than a thousand elsewhere; happy are they who dwell in Thy house, they are continually praising Thee. Incline Thine ear, answer us, be gracious unto us, O God, and cause us to rejoice, for unto Thee we lift up our souls. Teach us Thy way that we may walk firmly in Thy truth. Show us Thy kindness, grant us Thy salvation. Be with us on this day of our feast and at all times, O Thou, our God and our Father, our rock and our support. Amen.

אתה הוא

ALMIGHTY and merciful God, who hast called our fathers to Thy service, and hast opened their eyes to behold Thy wondrous works and to proclaim Thy law unto all nations: Thou art the same to-day even as Thou wast at the beginning; Thou art our God in this life, and Thou art our hope and refuge in the life to come. Creator of heaven and earth, of the sea and all that is therein, Thine is all power in the heaven above and on the earth below, and none can say unto Thee: What doest Thou? Our heavenly Father, help us that by our lives we may sanctify Thy name before men, and testify of Thee and of Thy holy law. Praise be to Thee, who hast revealed to us Thy law of truth.

Choir:—Amen.

נשמת כל חי

THINE alone, O Lord, is the greatness and the glory. Riches and honor come from Thee; in Thy hand are strength and power. Every living soul shall praise Thee; the spirit of all flesh shall glorify Thy name. Thou art God from everlasting to everlasting and besides Thee there is no redeemer nor savior. Thou art the first and the last, the Lord of all generations. Thou rulest the world in kindness and all Thy creatures in mercy. Thou art our guardian who sleepeth not and slumbereth not. To Thee alone we give thanks. Yet, though our lips would overflow with song, and our tongues with joyous praise, we would still be unable to thank Thee even for a thousandth part of the bounties which Thou hast bestowed upon us and our fathers. Thou hast been our protector and our savior in every trial and peril. Thy mercy has watched over us and Thy loving-kindness has never failed us.

Praised be Thy holy name. Thou hast made Thine eternal law our portion, and hast given us a goodly heritage. Thou didst appoint us to proclaim Thy truth unto the nations and win them for Thy law of righteousness. Sanctify us for the service to which Thou hast called us, O heavenly Father, that Thy name may be hallowed through us in all the world. Gather all Thy children around Thy banner of truth, that Thy praise may resound from one end of the earth to the other, and that through Israel the entire human family may be blessed with truth and peace.

Choir :—Amen.

(Congregation standing.)

Minister:

Praise ye the Lord, to whom all praise is due!

Choir and Congregation:

Praised be the Lord from this time forth and forever.

(Congregation sitting.)

Minister:

PRAISE be to Thee, O Lord, our God, Ruler of the world, who in Thy mercy causest light to shine over the earth and all its inhabitants, and daily renewest the works of creation. How manifold are Thy works, O Eternal; in wisdom hast Thou made them all; the earth is full of Thy possessions. The heavens declare Thy glory and the firmament showeth Thy handiwork. Thou formest light and darkness, ordainest good out of evil, and bringest harmony into nature, and peace to the heart of man.

With love abounding hast Thou guided us, O our God, and with great compassion hast Thou borne with us. Because our fathers believed and trusted in Thee, therefore hast Thou taught them the laws of life, and shown them the way of wisdom. We beseech Thee, O merciful Father, to grant us discernment, that we may understand and fulfil all the teachings of Thy word. Make us gladly obedient to Thy commandments and fill our hearts with love and reverence for Thee. In Thee we put our trust; we rejoice and delight in Thy help; for with Thee alone is salvation. Thou hast called us as the teachers of Thy law; Thou hast chosen us for a holy mission

(Congregation standing.)

Minister:

בָּרְכוּ אֶת יְיָ הַמְבֹרָךְ׃

Choir and Congregation:

בָּרוּךְ יְיָ הַמְבֹרָךְ לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד׃

(Congregation sitting.)

Minister:

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם. יוֹצֵר אוֹר וּבוֹרֵא חֹשֶׁךְ. עֹשֶׂה שָׁלוֹם וּבוֹרֵא אֶת הַכֹּל׃

הַמֵּאִיר לָאָרֶץ וְלַדָּרִים עָלֶיהָ בְּרַחֲמִים. וּבְטוּבוֹ מְחַדֵּשׁ בְּכָל־יוֹם תָּמִיד מַעֲשֵׂה־בְרֵאשִׁית׃ מָה רַבּוּ מַעֲשֶׂיךָ יְיָ. כֻּלָּם בְּחָכְמָה עָשִׂיתָ. מָלְאָה הָאָרֶץ קִנְיָנֶךָ׃ תִּתְבָּרַךְ יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ עַל־שֶׁבַח מַעֲשֵׂה יָדֶיךָ. וְעַל־מְאוֹרֵי־אוֹר שֶׁעָשִׂיתָ יְפָאֲרוּךָ סֶּלָה׃ בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ יוֹצֵר הַמְּאוֹרוֹת׃

אַהֲבָה רַבָּה אֲהַבְתָּנוּ יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ. חֶמְלָה גְדוֹלָה וִיתֵרָה חָמַלְתָּ עָלֵינוּ׃ אָבִינוּ מַלְכֵּנוּ. בַּעֲבוּר אֲבוֹתֵינוּ שֶׁבָּטְחוּ בְךָ וַתְּלַמְּדֵם חֻקֵּי חַיִּים. כֵּן תְּחָנֵּנוּ וּתְלַמְּדֵנוּ׃ הָאֵר עֵינֵינוּ בְּתוֹרָתֶךָ. וְדַבֵּק לִבֵּנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתֶיךָ. וְיַחֵד לְבָבֵנוּ לְאַהֲבָה וּלְיִרְאָה שְׁמֶךָ. וְלֹא נֵבוֹשׁ לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד׃ כִּי בְשֵׁם קָדְשְׁךָ בָטָחְנוּ. נָגִילָה וְנִשְׂמְחָה בִּישׁוּעָתֶךָ. כִּי אֵל פּוֹעֵל יְשׁוּעוֹת אָתָּה.

unto mankind; therefore do we joyfully lift up our voices and proclaim Thy unity. Blessed be Thou, O God, who hast revealed Thy truth through Israel.

(Congregation standing.)

Minister, then Choir and Congregation:

Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is One. Praised be His glorious name forever and ever.

(Congregation sitting.)

Minister:

THOU shalt love the Lord, Thy God, with all thy heart, with all thy soul, and with all thy might. And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thy heart. Thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt speak of them when thou sittest in thy house, when thou walkest by the way, when thou liest down, and when thou risest up. Bind them as a sign upon thy hand, and let them be as frontlets between thine eyes. Write them upon the doorposts of thy house and upon thy gates.

To the end that ye may remember and do all my commandments and be holy unto your God. I am the Lord your God.

Responsive Reading or Chanting:

Minister.

TRUTH eternal and unchanging is Thy word which Thou hast spoken through Thy prophets.

Congregation.

Thou art the living God, Thy words bring life and light to the soul.

וּבָנוּ בָחַרְתָּ וְקֵרַבְתָּנוּ לְשִׁמְךָ הַגָּדוֹל סֶלָה בֶּאֱמֶת. לְהוֹדוֹת לְךָ וּלְיַחֶדְךָ בְּאַהֲבָה. בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ הַבּוֹחֵר בְּעַמּוֹ יִשְׂרָאֵל בְּאַהֲבָה:

(Congregation standing.)

Minister, then Choir and Congregation:

שְׁמַע יִשְׂרָאֵל יְהוָֹה אֱלֹהֵינוּ יְהוָֹה אֶחָד:

בָּרוּךְ שֵׁם כְּבוֹד מַלְכוּתוֹ לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד:

(Congregation sitting.)

Minister:

וְאָהַבְתָּ אֵת יְיָ אֱלֹהֶיךָ בְּכָל־לְבָבְךָ וּבְכָל־נַפְשְׁךָ וּבְכָל־מְאֹדֶךָ: וְהָיוּ הַדְּבָרִים הָאֵלֶּה אֲשֶׁר אָנֹכִי מְצַוְּךָ הַיּוֹם עַל־לְבָבֶךָ: וְשִׁנַּנְתָּם לְבָנֶיךָ וְדִבַּרְתָּ בָּם. בְּשִׁבְתְּךָ בְּבֵיתֶךָ וּבְלֶכְתְּךָ בַדֶּרֶךְ וּבְשָׁכְבְּךָ וּבְקוּמֶךָ: וּקְשַׁרְתָּם לְאוֹת עַל־יָדֶךָ. וְהָיוּ לְטֹטָפֹת בֵּין עֵינֶיךָ: וּכְתַבְתָּם עַל־מְזֻזוֹת בֵּיתֶךָ וּבִשְׁעָרֶיךָ:

לְמַעַן תִּזְכְּרוּ וַעֲשִׂיתֶם אֶת־כָּל־מִצְוֹתָי וִהְיִיתֶם קְדוֹשִׁים לֵאלֹהֵיכֶם: אֲנִי יְיָ אֱלֹהֵיכֶם:

Responsive Reading or Chanting.

אֱמֶת. אֱלֹהֵי עוֹלָם מַלְכֵּנוּ. צוּר יַעֲקֹב מָגֵן יִשְׁעֵנוּ:

לְדוֹר וָדוֹר הוּא קַיָּם וּשְׁמוֹ קַיָּם. וּמַלְכוּתוֹ וֶאֱמוּנָתוֹ לָעַד קַיֶּמֶת:

Thou art the strength of our life, the rock of our salvation; Thy kingdom and Thy truth abide for ever.

Thou hast been the help of our fathers in time of trouble; and art our refuge in all generations.

Thou art the first and the last, and besides Thee there is no redeemer and helper.

As Thou hast saved Israel from Egyptian bondage, so mayest Thou send Thy help to all who are oppressed.

May Thy love descend upon all Thy children, and Thy truth unite them in the bonds of fellowship.

May the righteous of all nations rejoice in Thy power and exult in Thy grace.

O God, who art our refuge and our hope, we glorify Thy name now as did our fathers in ancient days:

Choir:

Who is like unto Thee, O God, among the mighty? Who is like unto Thee glorious in holiness, extolled in praises, working wonders?

God reigneth forever and ever.

Minister:

O Rock of Israel, be pleased to redeem those that are oppressed, and deliver those that are persecuted. Praise be unto Thee, our redeemer, the holy One of Israel.

Choir:—Amen.

וּדְבָרָיו חָיִים וְקַיָּמִים. נֶאֱמָנִים וְנֶחֱמָדִים לָעַד וּלְעוֹלְמֵי עוֹלָמִים:

אֱמֶת. שָׁאַתָּה הוּא יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ. צוּר יְשׁוּעָתֵנוּ. פּוֹדֵנוּ וּמַצִּילֵנוּ. מֵעוֹלָם שְׁמֶךָ. אֵין אֱלֹהִים זוּלָתֶךָ: אַתָּה הוּא רִאשׁוֹן וְאַתָּה הוּא אַחֲרוֹן. וּמִבַּלְעָדֶיךָ אֵין לָנוּ מֶלֶךְ גּוֹאֵל וּמוֹשִׁיעַ:

מִמִּצְרַיִם גְּאַלְתָּנוּ יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ. וּמִבֵּית עֲבָדִים פְּדִיתָנוּ:

עַל זֹאת שִׁבְּחוּ אֲהוּבִים וְרוֹמְמוּ אֵל:

Choir and Congregation:

מִי־כָמֹכָה בָּאֵלִים יְיָ. מִי כָּמֹכָה נֶאְדָּר בַּקֹּדֶשׁ נוֹרָא תְהִלֹּת עֹשֵׂה־פֶלֶא:

Minister:

מַלְכוּתְךָ רָאוּ בָנֶיךָ. זֶה אֵלִי עָנוּ וְאָמְרוּ:

Choir:

יְיָ יִמְלֹךְ לְעֹלָם וָעֶד:

Minister:

צוּר יִשְׂרָאֵל. קוּמָה בְּעֶזְרַת יִשְׂרָאֵל. גּוֹאֲלֵנוּ יְיָ צְבָאוֹת שְׁמוֹ. קְדוֹשׁ יִשְׂרָאֵל. בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ גָּאַל יִשְׂרָאֵל:

Choir:—Amen.

Minister:

PRAISE be to Thee, O Eternal, our God, God of our fathers Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the great, mighty and most high God. Thou bestowest loving-kindness upon all Thy creatures; Thou rememberest the goodness of the fathers, and Thou sendest redemption to their descendants for the sake of Thy name. Thou art our help, our redeemer and protector. Praise be to Thee, O God, shield of Abraham.

Thou art mighty, O Lord; Thine is the power to save. In Thy kindness Thou sustainest the living, upholdest the falling, healest the sick, and settest captives free. Thou wilt, of a surety, fulfil Thy promise of immortal life unto those who sleep in the dust. Who is like unto Thee, Almighty, author of life and death, source of salvation. Praise be to Thee, O God, who hast implanted within us immortal life.

SANCTIFICATION.

(Congregation standing.)

We hallow Thy name on earth, even as it is hallowed in heaven; and with the prophet we say in humble adoration:

Choir and Congregation:

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts, the whole earth is full of His glory.

Minister:

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ וֵאלֹהֵי אֲבוֹתֵינוּ. אֱלֹהֵי אַבְרָהָם אֱלֹהֵי יִצְחָק וֵאלֹהֵי יַעֲקֹב. הָאֵל הַגָּדוֹל הַגִּבּוֹר וְהַנּוֹרָא. אֵל עֶלְיוֹן. גּוֹמֵל חֲסָדִים טוֹבִים. וְקֹנֵה הַכֹּל וְזוֹכֵר חַסְדֵי אָבוֹת. וּמֵבִיא גְאֻלָּה לִבְנֵי בְנֵיהֶם. לְמַעַן שְׁמוֹ בְּאַהֲבָה: מֶלֶךְ עוֹזֵר וּמוֹשִׁיעַ וּמָגֵן. בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ מָגֵן אַבְרָהָם:

אַתָּה גִבּוֹר לְעוֹלָם אֲדֹנָי. רַב לְהוֹשִׁיעַ. מְכַלְכֵּל חַיִּים בְּחֶסֶד. מְחַיֵּה הַכֹּל בְּרַחֲמִים רַבִּים. סוֹמֵךְ נוֹפְלִים וְרוֹפֵא חוֹלִים וּמַתִּיר אֲסוּרִים. וּמְקַיֵּם אֱמוּנָתוֹ לִישֵׁנֵי עָפָר. מִי כָמוֹךָ בַּעַל גְּבוּרוֹת. וּמִי דוֹמֶה־לָּךְ. מֶלֶךְ מֵמִית וּמְחַיֶּה וּמַצְמִיחַ יְשׁוּעָה: בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ נֹטֵעַ בְּתוֹכֵנוּ חַיֵּי עוֹלָם:

(Congregation standing.)

נְקַדֵּשׁ אֶת שִׁמְךָ בָּעוֹלָם. כְּשֵׁם שֶׁמַּקְדִּישִׁים אוֹתוֹ בִּשְׁמֵי מָרוֹם. כַּכָּתוּב עַל־יַד נְבִיאֶךָ. וְקָרָא זֶה אֶל־זֶה וְאָמַר:

Choir and Congregation:

קָדוֹשׁ קָדוֹשׁ קָדוֹשׁ יְיָ צְבָאוֹת. מְלֹא כָל־הָאָרֶץ כְּבוֹדוֹ:

Minister:

God our strength, God our Lord, how excellent is Thy name in all the earth.

Choir and Congregation:

In all places of Thy dominion Thy name is praised and glorified.

Minister:

Our God is One; He is our Father; He is our King; He is our Helper; and in His mercy He will answer our prayers in the sight of all the living.

Choir and Congregation:

God will reign forever, thy God, O Zion, from generation to generation.—Hallelujah!

(Congregation sitting.)

Minister:

FROM generation to generation shall we declare Thy greatness and throughout all ages proclaim Thy holiness; Thy praise shall never cease from our lips.

We render thanks unto Thee, that Thou hast chosen our fathers from amongst all nations, and hast called them to Thy service. Thou hast sanctified us through Thy commandments, that by Israel Thy holy name may be known over all the earth. In Thy love Thou hast ordained for us feasts of joy, and seasons of gladness. Bestow upon all who worship here the blessings of Thy holy festivals; and may we so celebrate them as to be worthy of Thy benediction. Praised be God, who sanctifieth Israel and the festivals.

Minister:

אַדִּיר אַדִּירֵנוּ יְיָ אֲדוֹנֵנוּ מָה־אַדִּיר שִׁמְךָ בְּכָל הָאָרֶץ׃

Choir and Congregation:

בָּרוּךְ כְּבוֹד יְיָ מִמְּקוֹמוֹ׃

Minister:

אֶחָד הוּא אֱלֹהֵינוּ. הוּא אָבִינוּ. הוּא מַלְכֵּנוּ הוּא מוֹשִׁיעֵנוּ׃ וְהוּא יַשְׁמִיעֵנוּ בְּרַחֲמָיו לְעֵינֵי כָּל־חָי׃

Choir and Congregation:

יִמְלֹךְ יְיָ לְעוֹלָם אֱלֹהַיִךְ צִיּוֹן לְדוֹר וָדוֹר הַלְלוּיָהּ׃

(Congregation sitting.)

Minister:

לְדוֹר וָדוֹר נַגִּיד גָּדְלֶךָ. וּלְנֵצַח נְצָחִים קְדֻשָּׁתְךָ נַקְדִּישׁ. וְשִׁבְחֲךָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ מִפִּינוּ לֹא יָמוּשׁ לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד. בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ הָאֵל הַקָּדוֹשׁ׃

אַתָּה בְחַרְתָּנוּ מִכָּל הָעַמִּים לִהְיוֹת לְךָ לְעַם סְגֻלָּה. וְקִדַּשְׁתָּנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתֶיךָ. וְקֵרַבְתָּנוּ מַלְכֵּנוּ לַעֲבוֹדָתֶךָ. וְשִׁמְךָ הַגָּדוֹל וְהַקָּדוֹשׁ עָלֵינוּ קָרָאתָ׃ וַתִּתֶּן־לָנוּ יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ מוֹעֲדִים לְשִׂמְחָה. חַגִּים וּזְמַנִּים לְשָׂשׂוֹן׃ וְהַשִּׂיאֵנוּ יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ אֶת בִּרְכַּת מוֹעֲדֵי קָדְשֶׁךָ. כַּאֲשֶׁר רָצִיתָ וְאָמַרְתָּ לְבָרְכֵנוּ. בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ מְקַדֵּשׁ יִשְׂרָאֵל וְהַזְּמַנִּים׃

LOOK down with compassion, O Lord, upon Israel, Thy servant, and in Thy love at all times accept his worship. Praise be to Thee, O God, whom alone we will serve in reverence.

We gratefully acknowledge, O Lord, our God, that Thou art our creator and preserver, the rock of our life and the shield of our help. We render thanks unto Thee, for our lives which are in Thy hand, for our souls which are ever in Thy keeping, for Thy wondrous providence, and for Thy continuous goodness, which Thou bestowest upon us day by day. Truly, Thy mercies never fail, and Thy loving-kindness never ceases. Therefore in Thee do we forever put our trust.

OUR God, and God of our fathers, O may Thy blessing rest upon us, according to the gracious promise of Thy word.

Minister and Choir:

May the Lord bless thee and keep thee!

Congregation:—Amen.

May the Lord let His countenance shine upon thee and be gracious unto thee!

Congregation:—Amen.

May the Lord lift up His countenance upon thee and give thee peace!

Congregation:—Amen.

רְצֵה יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ בְּעַמְּךָ יִשְׂרָאֵל . וּתְפִלָּתָם בְּאַהֲבָה
תְקַבֵּל . וּתְהִי לְרָצוֹן תָּמִיד עֲבוֹדַת יִשְׂרָאֵל עַמֶּךָ .
בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ שֶׁאוֹתְךָ לְבַדְּךָ בְּיִרְאָה נַעֲבוֹד :

מוֹדִים אֲנַחְנוּ לָךְ . שָׁאַתָּה הוּא יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ וֵאלֹהֵי
אֲבוֹתֵינוּ לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד . צוּר חַיֵּינוּ מָגֵן יִשְׁעֵנוּ אַתָּה
הוּא לְדוֹר וָדוֹר . נוֹדֶה לְּךָ וּנְסַפֵּר תְּהִלָּתֶךָ . עַל
חַיֵּינוּ הַמְּסוּרִים בְּיָדֶךָ . וְעַל נִשְׁמוֹתֵינוּ הַפְּקוּדוֹת
לָךְ . וְעַל נִסֶּיךָ שֶׁבְּכָל יוֹם עִמָּנוּ . וְעַל נִפְלְאוֹתֶיךָ
שֶׁבְּכָל עֵת . עֶרֶב וָבֹקֶר וְצָהֳרָיִם . הַטּוֹב כִּי לֹא
כָלוּ רַחֲמֶיךָ . וְהַמְרַחֵם כִּי לֹא תַמּוּ חֲסָדֶיךָ .
מֵעוֹלָם קִוִּינוּ לָךְ :

אֱלֹהֵינוּ וֵאלֹהֵי אֲבוֹתֵינוּ . בָּרְכֵנוּ בַּבְּרָכָה
הַמְשֻׁלֶּשֶׁת הַכְּתוּבָה בַּתּוֹרָה :

Minister and Choir :

יְבָרֶכְךָ יְיָ וְיִשְׁמְרֶךָ :

Congregation :—Amen.

יָאֵר יְיָ פָּנָיו אֵלֶיךָ וִיחֻנֶּךָּ :

Congregation :—Amen.

יִשָּׂא יְיָ פָּנָיו אֵלֶיךָ וְיָשֵׂם לְךָ שָׁלוֹם :

Congregation :—Amen.

For the First Day of Pesa'h.

Responsive Reading.

(Psalm xviii.)

Minister.

I LOVE Thee, O Lord, my strength, my shield, my strong defense, my high tower.

Congregation.

I will call upon the Lord, who is worthy to be praised; so shall I be saved from mine enemies.

The snares of death encompassed me; the floods of destruction filled me with dismay.

In my distress I called upon the Lord, and cried unto my God.

He heard my voice from His place, and my cry came before Him.

He stretched forth His hand from above; He took me and drew me out of deep waters.

He delivered me from my strong enemy; from my adversaries who were too powerful for me.

He brought me forth into a large place; He delivered me because He delighted in me.

With the merciful Thou wilt show Thyself merciful; with the upright Thou wilt show Thyself upright.

With the pure Thou wilt show Thyself pure, and with the perverse Thou wilt contend.

For Thou savest the afflicted people, but the haughty countenance Thou bringest down.

Thou causest my lamp to shine; the Lord, my God, enlighteneth my darkness.

The ways of God are just and true; His word is tried and pure; He is a shield to all who put their trust in Him.

Who then is God save the Eternal, and who is a deliverer save our God?

It is God that girdeth me with strength; my way is plain.

Thou gavest me the shield of Thy protection; Thy right hand upheld me, and Thy goodness lifteth me up.

The Lord is the living God; blessed be my rock; exalted be the God of my salvation.

I will give thanks to Thee, O Lord, among the nations, and sing praises to Thy name.

Minister:

GRATEFULLY we lift up our hearts, O God, to thank Thee for Thy kindness and never-ending goodness to the house of Israel. Our ancestors languished in Egyptian slavery; the lash of the taskmaster drove them to their daily toil; but Thou wast mindful of the descendants of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, Thy faithful servants. In the fulness of time didst Thou raise up a deliverer, who, in Thy name, brought the message of freedom to the enslaved, and Thou didst lead them forth from bondage to freedom, from darkness to light, from despair to hope. As on eagle's pinions didst

Thou carry them; and in memory of that great deliverance we celebrate this feast of Passover, this feast of liberty of the soul and the body; for not only was Israel delivered from the bondage of the body, but also from the shackles of the soul, and from the darkness of idolatry he passed into the light of Thy truth.

And often since that early day has Israel been oppressed by kings unfeeling as Pharaoh, and trampled upon by men and nations cruel as the Egyptians. But, ever mindful of that first deliverance, the people never again quite lost hope. Their trust in Thee, so firm and strong, buoyed them up; nor was that trust misplaced. Ever and again Thy protecting love manifested itself and they were saved from impending doom. And so we pray unto Thee on this day of our feast that, as Thou hast vouchsafed Thy protection to the children of Israel throughout the past, so mayest Thou be with them now and in the future. Deliver them where they are still bowed beneath the yoke of the oppressor. May persecution of every kind vanish from off the face of the earth and all signs of bondage gradually disappear, that in time, a universal feast of freedom may be celebrated in Thy name, Father of mankind, God of freedom. Amen.

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For Seventh Day of Pesa'h.

Responsive Reading:

Mintster.

I WILL remember the works of the Lord; verily I will remember Thy wonders of old.

Congregation.

I will meditate also upon all Thy works, and talk of Thy doings.

Thy way, O God, is in the sanctuary; who is so great a God as our God?

Thou art the God that doest wonders: Thou hast declared Thy strength among the people.

Thou hast with Thine arm redeemed Thy people, the sons of Jacob.

The waters saw Thee, O God, the waters saw Thee; they were afraid; the depths also were troubled.

The clouds poured out water; the skies sent out a sound; Thine arrows also went abroad.

The voice of Thy thunder was in the heaven; the lightnings illumined the world; the earth trembled and shook.

Thy way is in the sea, and Thy path in the great waters, yet Thy footsteps are not known.

Thou didst lead Thy people like a flock by the hand of Moses and Aaron.

Come and see the works of God; He is wonderful in His doing toward the children of men.

He turned the sea into dry land: they went through the flood on foot.

He ruleth by His power forever; His eyes behold the nations; let not the rebellious exalt themselves.

O bless our God, ye people, and make the voice of His praise to be heard;

Who holdeth our soul in life, and suffereth not our foot to be moved.

For Thou, O God, hast proved us; Thou hast tried us, as silver is tried.

Blessed be God, who hath not turned away my prayer, nor His mercy from me.

Praised be the Lord daily; when we are heavy-laden, the Mighty One is our help.

Ye kingdoms of the earth, sing unto God; sing praise to the Lord.

Give glory to God, whose majesty is in Israel, and whose might is above the heavens.

The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Israel is our refuge.

Minister:

A SONG of triumph and of joy resounded unto Thee, O God, from the lips of Israel's redeemed. Standing on the shore of the sea they extolled Thy name in the ecstasy of the freedom which had been granted them so that they might establish a new sanctuary, a kingdom of the spirit, in which God only should reign, and all men should worship

and revere the Ruler of the Universe. They praised in lofty strains Thy power and might, Thy greatness and glory before which all human greatness sinks into nothingness and all earthly glory vanishes. They had seen how pride causes its own downfall and how the right conquers at last not by strength nor yet by force, but by the divine spirit that rules nature and mankind. The idols were powerless, for the spirit was not in them; their worshipers were put to shame and all their plans came to naught when the time was ripe for the redemption of Thy people.

We thank Thee, O our God, for Thy providence which has ever delivered Israel from untold dangers and which gives evidence of the power of Thy word, that keeps the spirit of truth, justice and peace awake within us. On this closing day of our feast we pray unto Thee to let Thy blessing rest upon this our congregation. O quicken the hearts of its members with holy zeal to work in the cause for which it has been established. May Thy blessing rest upon our country, that it may always be the home of freedom, the refuge of those who are oppressed and downtrodden elsewhere. Upon us all bestow blessing and peace now and ever. Amen!

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For Shabuoth.

Responsive Reading:

Minister.

THUS saith God, the Eternal, who created the heavens and spread forth the earth;

Congregation.

Who gave breath to the people upon it, and spirit to them that walk thereon;

I, the Lord, have called thee, O Israel, for salvation, to make thee a covenant to the people, a light unto the nations;

To open the eyes of the blind, and to bring those that sit in darkness out of their prison-house.

Ye are my witnesses, saith the Lord, and my servant whom I have chosen.

I am the Lord, thy God, the Holy One of Israel, thy redeemer.

This is my covenant with them, saith the Lord, my spirit which is upon thee, and my words which I put into thy mouth:

They shall not depart from thee, nor from thy children and children's children, from this time forth forever.

For the mountain may depart, and the hills be removed, but my kindness shall not depart from thee,

Nor shall my covenant of peace be broken, saith the Lord, who hath mercy upon thee.

And I will betroth thee unto me forever, saith the Lord;

I will betroth thee unto me in righteousness and in judgment, in loving-kindness and in mercy.

Yea, I will betroth thee unto me in faithfulness, and thou shalt know the Lord.

Minister:

WITH feelings of joy, all-merciful God, we come before Thee in this gladsome season of the year, when nature sings Thy praise, when field and forest, hill and valley proclaim Thy goodness. Yet holier joy fills our hearts as we remember the day of Sinai, when Israel received Thy law and became the people of Thy covenant. Then was Thy message heard: Ye shall be unto me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.

In letters of fire didst Thou inscribe the eternal words of truth upon the minds and hearts of men. The revelation of the highest truths of religion came unto Israel; and from Israel's midst have they streamed forth carrying light to the rest of the world. Happy is Israel that he was found worthy to be the guardian of Thy teachings, the messenger that conveyed the good tidings to the nations of the earth.

Great and arduous is the task Thou didst impose upon him. But Thou hast ever raised up faithful men, who recalled the people to their allegiance and bade them remember that Thou art a God of righteousness, and that Israel has been chosen to be the standard-bearer of truth and the harbinger of right-

eousness, a light to the gentiles and a covenant of the peoples.

With the law of God in their hearts, Thine anointed ones wandered forth from their little land, to live for Thee, and amidst deadly foes and devouring flames to proclaim Thy name among all nations of the earth. And behold, Thy law has become in our hands the life of the ages, the treasure of mankind. And Thou in Thine unfailing mercy hast preserved us through the storms of troublous times even unto this day, when, all the world over, Thy children unite in glorifying and praising Thy name and extolling Thy loving-kindness. Through all this time has Israel been faithful to Thee; he found strength in trouble, light in darkness, hope in despair, because he remembered Thy glorious promises: I, the Lord, change not, nor shall ye, sons of Jacob be ever consumed. Faithfully we hold fast to Thy covenant, and our children in flaming zeal renew the vow of Horeb. Blessed be Thou, O God, that after the night has come a new morning, after the darkness has come the light. The truths revealed to Israel are becoming the possession of an ever greater number of men. May the time not be far distant when all the children of the earth will be of Thy kingdom and recognize Thee as their Father and God.

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For the First Day of Succoth.

Responsive Reading:

(Psalm lxv.)

Minister.

TO Thee belongeth trust, to Thee praise, O God, and to Thee shall the vow be performed.

Congregation.

O Thou that hearest prayer, to Thee shall all flesh come and worship.

Happy is he whom Thou choosest, and bringest near Thee, to dwell in Thy courts.

May we be satisfied with the blessings of Thy house, Thy holy temple.

By wonderful deeds dost Thou answer us in Thy goodness, O God, our salvation;

Who art the confidence of all the ends of the earth and of the most distant seas.

Thou makest fast the mountains by Thy power, being girded with strength.

Thou stillest the roar of the sea, the roar of its waves, and the tumult of the nations.

They who dwell in the ends of the earth are awed by Thy signs.

Thou makest the outgoings of the morning and of the evening to rejoice.

Thou visitest the earth and waterest it; Thou enrichest it exceedingly; the river of God is full of water.

Thou suppliest the earth with corn, when Thou hast prepared it.

Thou waterest its furrows, and breakest down its ridges; Thou makest it soft with showers, and blessest its increase.

Thou crownest the year with Thy goodness; Thy footsteps drop fruitfulness;

They drop it upon the pastures of the plains, and the hills are girded with gladness.

The pastures are clothed with flocks, and the valleys are covered with corn.

The earth has yielded her increase, and God, our Lord, hath blessed us.

May God continue to bless us, and may all the ends of the earth fear Him!

Minister:

EVERYWHERE, O God, we see evidences of Thy loving-kindness. On this, our feast of thanksgiving and joy, we feel how much there is for which man should be grateful. The beauties of nature, the refreshing rains which bring blessing to the earth, the care with which Thy bounty has provided for the needs of every living thing awaken within us a deep sense of gratitude towards Thee. Thy providence is ever watchful. Thy protecting arm is stretched out over all Thy creatures. How can we sufficiently praise Thee and be thankful unto Thee? Thou hast blessed the work of our hands and established it for us; and

even when our foot stumbled, Thou hast upheld us; in the night of adversity Thou hast revived our drooping spirits.

Thou didst guide our forefathers safely through the dangers of the wilderness, and while they lived in frail tents, Thy protecting arm encompassed them, and in the shadow of Thy hand didst Thou hide them against the scorching sun and wild tempests. Even so when in later days the storms of persecution passed over their heads and fires of oppression were kindled to devour them, Thy pillar of light went before them and guided them on the path of safety. And now, that brighter days have come, may worldly pride and prosperity not lead us to be faithless to Thee and Thy covenant. May we ever remember that it was Israel's unfaltering fidelity to Thy truth that shielded and preserved him wondrously throughout the ages, and caused him to see these better times, when the cause of Israel has also become the cause of humanity, and the God of Abraham the universal God.

Grant, O God, that to our homes this festival may bring joy and gladness, and that everywhere the poor and the needy may have an ample portion of our own blessings, so that their hearts may be relieved of their load of care and we all may pass Thy holy season in comfort and quietude, and in the delights of thankful hearts. Amen.

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For Sh'mini Atsereth.

Responsive Reading:

(Psalm cxvii.)

Minister.

PRAISE ye the Lord: for it is good to sing praises unto our God, and praise is comely.

Congregation.

He healeth the broken in heart, and bindeth up their wounds.

He telleth the number of the stars; He calleth them all by their names.

Great is our Lord, and of great power: His understanding is infinite.

The Lord lifteth up the meek: He casteth the wicked down to the ground.

Sing unto the Lord with thanksgiving; sing praise upon the harp unto our God:

Who covereth the heaven with clouds, who prepareth rain for the earth, who maketh grass to grow upon the mountains.

He giveth to the cattle his food, and to the young ravens which cry.

The Lord taketh pleasure in them that fear Him, in those that hope in His mercy.

Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem; praise thy God, O Zion.

For He hath strengthened the bars of thy gates; He hath blessed thy children within thee.

He maketh peace in thy borders, and filleth thee with the finest of the wheat.

He sendeth forth His commandment upon earth: His word runneth very swiftly.

He giveth snow like wool; He scattereth the hoar-frost like ashes.

He casteth forth His ice like morsels; who can stand before His cold?

He sendeth out His word, and melteth them; He causeth the wind to blow, and the waters to flow.

He showeth His word unto Jacob, His statutes and His judgments unto Israel.

He hath not dealt so with any nation; and as for His judgments, they have not known them. Praise ye the Lord.

Minister:

O GOD and Father, who art exalted above our highest thoughts, whose love and goodness no name can express and no tongue can tell; on this Feast of Conclusion we come to Thee once again with the offering of our praise and thanksgiving. We lift up our soul unto Thy presence and fervently praise Thee for all the happiness wherewith Thou crownest our days, and for the joy and gladness with which Thou fillest our life.

We have rejoiced throughout these festal days and have praised Thee for the bounteous blessings of the earth. They have prompted us to thank Thee for

this world in which we live, where Thy presence shines in every star of heaven and is fragrant in every flower of the field. The earth is full of Thy goodness. The rivers as they roll on to the seas, the ocean as it ebbs and flows, the mountains and forests, gardens and harvest fields, the rain and the dew, the wind and the waves, the sun that sheds abroad its life-giving warmth and radiance, the countless myriads of suns and worlds which fill the boundless heaven,—all, all tell of Thy greatness and power, declare Thy wisdom and bring tidings of thy love.

But on this day we are called upon to thank Thee also for the spiritual joys, for the eternal blessings, of which Thy revealed truth is the source, and for the happiness it shall yield when it shall be cherished by all the families of the earth. Yea, the day will come when all nations will know that Thou art God and none else. In this trust, O God, we conclude to-day the festive cycle of this month. Many are the sweet sounds that have vibrated through our soul during the delightful hours we spent in brotherly reunion in Thy house. May the sentiments of true religion which our festivals have strengthened in us, attend us henceforth at all times and in all places, that all our life may be spent in Thy service; and when the end shall come may we close our earthly career with cheerful trust in Thine eternal love. Amen.

Choir :—Amen.

שים שלום

Minister:

GRANT us peace, Thy most precious gift, O Thou eternal source of peace, and enable Israel to be a messenger of peace unto the peoples of the earth. Bless our country that it may ever be a stronghold of peace, and be its advocate in the councils of nations. May contentment reign within its borders, health and happiness within its homes. Strengthen the bonds of friendship and fellowship between all the inhabitants of our land. Plant virtue in every soul, and may the love of Thy name hallow every home and every heart. Praise be to Thee, Giver of peace.

Choir:—Amen.

Silent Devotion:

אלהי נצור

O GOD, guard my tongue from evil and my lips from uttering deceit. Be my support when grief silences my voice, and my comfort when woe bends my spirit. Plant humility in my soul, and strengthen my heart with perfect faith in Thee. Help me to be strong when temptations and trials come, and to be meek when others wrong me, that I may readily forgive them. Guide me by the light of Thy counsel, and let me ever find rest in Thee, who art my strength and my redeemer. Amen.

Responsive Reading or Chanting.

(Psalms cxiii, cxvii and cxviii.)

PRAISE ye the Lord, praise, O ye servants of the Lord, praise the name of the Lord.

Blessed be the name of the Lord from this time forth, even for ever.

From the rising of the sun to its going down, may the name of the Lord be praised.

The Lord is high above all nations; His glory is above the heavens.

Who is like unto the Lord, our God, that dwelleth on high, that looketh down upon the heavens and the earth?

He raiseth the poor from the dust, and exalteth the needy from his lowliness.

To set him among princes, even among the princes of his people.

He causeth the forsaken to dwell in her house, a joyful mother of children. Hallelujah.

Minister and Choir:

O give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; for His kindness endureth for ever.

Let Israel now say, His kindness endureth for ever.

Let the house of Aaron now say, His kindness endureth for ever.

Let all those who fear the Lord say, His kindness endureth for ever.

Responsive Reading or Chanting:

(Psalms cxiii, cxvii and cxviii.)

הַלְלוּיָהּ. הַלְלוּ עַבְדֵי יְיָ. הַלְלוּ אֶת־שֵׁם יְיָ:

יְהִי שֵׁם יְיָ מְבֹרָךְ מֵעַתָּה וְעַד־עוֹלָם:

מִמִּזְרַח־שֶׁמֶשׁ עַד־מְבוֹאוֹ מְהֻלָּל שֵׁם יְיָ:

רָם עַל־כָּל־גּוֹיִם יְיָ. עַל־הַשָּׁמַיִם כְּבוֹדוֹ:

מִי כַּייָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ הַמַּגְבִּיהִי לָשָׁבֶת:

הַמַּשְׁפִּילִי לִרְאוֹת בַּשָּׁמַיִם וּבָאָרֶץ:

מְקִימִי מֵעָפָר דָּל. מֵאַשְׁפֹּת יָרִים אֶבְיוֹן:

לְהוֹשִׁיבִי עִם־נְדִיבִים. עִם נְדִיבֵי עַמּוֹ:

מוֹשִׁיבִי עֲקֶרֶת הַבַּיִת. אֵם־הַבָּנִים שְׂמֵחָה הַלְלוּיָהּ:

הַלְלוּ אֶת־יְיָ כָּל־גּוֹיִם. שַׁבְּחוּהוּ כָּל־הָאֻמִּים:

כִּי גָבַר עָלֵינוּ חַסְדּוֹ. וֶאֱמֶת־יְיָ לְעוֹלָם הַלְלוּיָהּ:

Minister and Choir:

הוֹדוּ לַייָ כִּי־טוֹב כִּי לְעוֹלָם חַסְדּוֹ:

יֹאמַר־נָא יִשְׂרָאֵל כִּי לְעוֹלָם חַסְדּוֹ:

יֹאמְרוּ־נָא בֵית אַהֲרֹן כִּי לְעוֹלָם חַסְדּוֹ:

יֹאמְרוּ־נָא יִרְאֵי יְיָ כִּי לְעוֹלָם חַסְדּוֹ:

Responsive Reading or Chanting:

I CALLED upon the Lord in distress; He heard, and set me in a wide place.

The Lord is on my side, I will not fear; what can man do to me?

The Lord is my helper; I shall triumph over all mine enemies.

It is better to trust in the Lord than to confide in man;

It is better to trust in the Lord than to confide in princes.

All the nations beset me around, but in the name of the Lord I triumphed over them.

They beset me on every side; but in the name of the Lord I triumphed over them.

They did assail me with violence to bring me down; but the Lord was my support.

The Lord is my glory and my song; for to Him I owe my salvation.

The voice of joy and salvation is in the habitations of the righteous.

The right hand of the Lord doeth valiantly; the right hand of the Lord is exalted.

I shall not die, but live, and declare the deeds of the Lord.

The Lord hath sorely chastened me, but He hath not given me over to death.

Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may go in, and praise the Lord.

Responsive Reading or Chanting:

מִן־הַמֵּצַר קָרָֽאתִי יָּהּ ׃ עָנָֽנִי בַמֶּרְחַב־יָהּ ׃

יְיָ לִי לֹא אִירָא ׃ מַה־יַּעֲשֶׂה לִי אָדָם ׃

יְיָ לִי בְּעֹזְרָי ׃ וַאֲנִי אֶרְאֶה בְשֹׂנְאָי ׃

טוֹב לַחֲסוֹת בַּייָ ׃ מִבְּטֹחַ בָּאָדָם ׃

טוֹב לַחֲסוֹת בַּייָ ׃ מִבְּטֹחַ בִּנְדִיבִים ׃

כָּל־גּוֹיִם סְבָבוּנִי ׃ בְּשֵׁם יְיָ כִּי אֲמִילַם ׃

סַבּוּנִי גַם־סְבָבוּנִי ׃ בְּשֵׁם יְיָ כִּי אֲמִילַם ׃

סַבּוּנִי כִדְבֹרִים ׃ דֹּעֲכוּ כְּאֵשׁ קוֹצִים ׃ בְּשֵׁם יְיָ כִּי אֲמִילַם ׃

דַּחֹה דְחִיתַֽנִי לִנְפֹּל ׃ וַייָ עֲזָרָֽנִי ׃

עָזִּי וְזִמְרָת יָהּ ׃ וַיְהִי־לִי לִישׁוּעָה ׃

קוֹל רִנָּה וִישׁוּעָה בְּאָהֳלֵי צַדִּיקִים ׃ יְמִין יְיָ עֹשָׂה חָֽיִל ׃

יְמִין יְיָ רוֹמֵמָה ׃ יְמִין יְיָ עֹשָׂה חָֽיִל ׃

לֹא־אָמוּת כִּי־אֶחְיֶה ׃ וַאֲסַפֵּר מַעֲשֵׂה־יָהּ ׃

יַסֹּר יִסְּרַֽנִּי יָּהּ ׃ וְלַמָּֽוֶת לֹא נְתָנָֽנִי ׃

פִּתְחוּ־לִי שַׁעֲרֵי־צֶֽדֶק ׃ אָבֹא בָם אוֹדֶה יָהּ ׃

This is the gate of the Lord, through which the righteous enter.

I praise Thee that Thou hast afflicted me, and it hath been my salvation.

The stone which the builders rejected hath become the chief corner-stone.

This is the Lord's doing: it is marvelous in our eyes.

This is the day which the Lord hath made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Minister and Choir:

Hear, O Lord, and save us!
Hear, O Lord, and prosper us!

Blessed be he that cometh in the name of the Lord; we bless ye from the house of the Lord.

Thou art my God and I will praise Thee; Thou art my God, I will exalt Thee.

O give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; for His kindness endureth for ever!

זֶה־הַשַּׁעַר לַיָי . צַדִּיקִים יָבֹאוּ בוֹ׃
אוֹדְךָ כִּי עֲנִיתָנִי . וַתְּהִי־לִי לִישׁוּעָה׃
אֶבֶן מָאֲסוּ הַבּוֹנִים . הָיְתָה לְרֹאשׁ פִּנָּה׃
מֵאֵת יְיָ הָיְתָה זֹּאת . הִיא נִפְלָאת בְּעֵינֵינוּ׃
זֶה הַיּוֹם עָשָׂה יְיָ . נָגִילָה וְנִשְׂמְחָה בוֹ׃

Minister and Choir:

אָנָּא יְיָ הוֹשִׁיעָה נָּא׃ אָנָּא יְיָ הוֹשִׁיעָה נָּא׃
אָנָּא יְיָ הַצְלִיחָה נָא׃ אָנָּא יְיָ הַצְלִיחָה נָא׃

בָּרוּךְ הַבָּא בְּשֵׁם יְיָ . בֵּרַכְנוּכֶם מִבֵּית יְיָ׃
אֵלִי אַתָּה וְאוֹדֶךָּ . אֱלֹהַי אֲרוֹמְמֶךָּ׃
הוֹדוּ לַיָי כִּי־טוֹב . כִּי לְעוֹלָם חַסְדּוֹ׃

Reading of Scripture.

Minister:

(Micah iv, 1-4.)

AND it shall come to pass in the last days that the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established in the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills; and all nations shall flock unto it. And many people shall go and say, Come ye, and let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths: for out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.

Choir.

There is none like unto Thee among the mighty, O Lord, and there are no works like unto Thine. Thy kingdom is an everlasting kingdom and Thy dominion endureth throughout all generations. Thou art King eternal; Thou hast reigned and shalt reign for evermore. The Lord will give strength unto His people, the Lord will bless His people with peace.

אֵין כָּמוֹךָ בָאֱלֹהִים
אֲדֹנָי וְאֵין כְּמַעֲשֶׂיךָ:
מַלְכוּתְךָ מַלְכוּת כָּל־
עֹלָמִים וּמֶמְשַׁלְתְּךָ בְּכָל־
דּוֹר וָדוֹר: יְיָ מֶלֶךְ יְיָ מָלָךְ
יְיָ יִמְלֹךְ לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד: יְיָ
עֹז לְעַמּוֹ יִתֵּן · יְיָ יְבָרֵךְ
אֶת־עַמּוֹ בַשָּׁלוֹם: כִּי בְךָ

In Thee alone do we trust, O King, high and exalted God, Lord of worlds.

לְבַד בְּטָחְנוּ מֶלֶךְ אֵל
רָם וְנִשָּׂא אֲדוֹן עוֹלָמִים׃

(**Congregation standing.**)

Minister, then Choir:

The Lord, the Lord God is merciful and gracious, long-suffering and abundant in goodness and ever-true; keeping mercy for thousands, forgiving iniquity, transgression and sin.

יְהוָה יְהוָה אֵל רַחוּם
וְחַנּוּן · אֶרֶךְ אַפַּיִם וְרַב־
חֶסֶד וֶאֱמֶת · נֹצֵר חֶסֶד
לָאֲלָפִים · נֹשֵׂא עָוֹן וָפֶשַׁע
וְחַטָּאָה׃

(**Minister takes the Scroll from the Ark, and turning to the congregation says:**)

The Torah which God gave through Moses is the heritage of the house of Israel. Come ye and let us walk in the light of the Lord.

תּוֹרָה צִוָּה לָנוּ מֹשֶׁה.
מוֹרָשָׁה קְהִלַּת יַעֲקֹב׃
בֵּית יַעֲקֹב לְכוּ וְנֵלְכָה
בְּאוֹר יְהוָה׃

Minister and Congregation together:

Hear, O Israel, the Lord, our God, the Lord is One.

שְׁמַע יִשְׂרָאֵל יְהוָה
אֱלֹהֵינוּ יְהוָה אֶחָד׃

(**Congregation sitting.**)

Choir:

Thine, O Lord, is the greatness and the power, the glory, and the victory, and the majesty; for all that is in the heavens and in the earth is Thine, Thine is dominion, and Thou art exalted above all.

לְךָ יְיָ הַגְּדֻלָּה וְהַגְּבוּרָה.
וְהַתִּפְאֶרֶת וְהַנֵּצַח וְהַהוֹד
כִּי כֹל בַּשָּׁמַיִם וּבָאָרֶץ ·
לְךָ יְיָ הַמַּמְלָכָה
וְהַמִּתְנַשֵּׂא לְכֹל לְרֹאשׁ:

(Before reading from the Torah.)

Minister:

Blessed be Thou, O Lord, our God, Ruler of the world, who hast called Israel from amongst the nations and given him Thy law. Praise be to Thee, O God, Giver of the Law.

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ
מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם. אֲשֶׁר בָּחַר
בָּנוּ מִכָּל־הָעַמִּים וְנָתַן
לָנוּ אֶת־תּוֹרָתוֹ · בָּרוּךְ
אַתָּה יְיָ נוֹתֵן הַתּוֹרָה:

(After reading from the Torah.)

Praise be to Thee, O Eternal, our God, Ruler of the world, who hast given us a law of truth and implanted eternal life within us. Praise be to Thee, O God, Giver of the Law.

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ
מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם · אֲשֶׁר נָתַן
לָנוּ תּוֹרַת אֱמֶת וְחַיֵּי
עוֹלָם נָטַע בְּתוֹכֵנוּ.
בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ נוֹתֵן
הַתּוֹרָה:

For the First Day of Pesa'h.

Reading from the Torah.

(Ex. xii. 37-42; xiii. 3-10.)

AND the children of Israel journeyed from Rameses to Succoth, about six hundred thousand on foot that were men, beside children. And a mixed multitude went up also with them; and flocks and herds, even very much cattle. And they baked unleavened cakes of the dough which they brought forth out of Egypt, for it was not leavened; because they were thrust out of Egypt, and could not tarry, neither had they prepared for themselves any victuals. Now the sojourning of the children of Israel, who dwelt in Egypt, was four hundred and thirty years. And it came to pass at the end of the four hundred and thirty years, even the selfsame day it came to pass that all the hosts of the Lord went out from the land of Egypt: this is that night of the Lord to be observed of all the children of Israel in their generations.

And Moses said unto the people, Remember this day, in which ye came out from the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage; for by strength of hand the Lord brought you out from this place; there shall no leavened bread be eaten. This day came ye out in the month Abib. And it shall be when the Lord shall bring thee into the land of the Canaanites, and the Hitites, and the Amorites, and the Hivites, and the Jebusites, which he sware unto thy fathers to give thee, a land flowing with milk

and honey, that thou shalt keep this service in this month. Seven days thou shalt eat unleavened bread, and in the seventh day shall be a feast to the Lord. Unleavened bread shall be eaten seven days; and there shall no leavened bread be seen with thee, neither shall there be leaven seen with thee in all thy quarters. And thou shalt shew thy son in that day saying, This is done because of that which the Lord did unto me when I came forth out of Egypt. And it shall be for a sign unto thee upon thine hand, and for a memorial between thine eyes, that the Lord's law may be in thy mouth; for with a strong hand hath the Lord brought thee out of Egypt. Thou shalt therefore keep this ordinance in this season from year to year.

The Haphtarah.

(Isaiah xliii.)

BUT now thus saith the Lord that created thee, O Jacob, and He that formed thee, O Israel: Fear not; for I have redeemed thee, I have called thee by thy name; thou art mine. When thou passest through the waters, I will be with thee; and through the rivers, they shall not overflow thee: when thou walkest through the fire, thou shalt not be burned; neither shall the flame kindle upon thee. For I am the Lord thy God, the Holy One of Israel, thy savior. I gave Egypt for thy ransom, Ethiopia and Seba for thee. Since thou wast precious in my

sight, thou hast been honorable, and I have loved thee: therefore, will I give men for thee, and people for thy life. Fear not; for I am with thee: I will bring thy offspring from the east, and gather thee from the west: I will say to the north, Give up; and to the south, Keep not back: bring my sons from far, and my daughters from the ends of the earth; even every one that is called by my name: for I have created him for my glory. Let all the nations be gathered together, and let the people be assembled: who among them can declare this, and shew us former things? let them bring forth their witnesses, that they may be justified: or let them hear, and say, It is truth. Ye are my witnesses, saith the Lord, and my servant whom I have chosen; that ye may know and believe me, and understand that I am He: before me there was no God formed, neither shall there be after me. I, even I, am the Lord; and beside me there is no savior. I have declared, and have saved, and I have showed, when there was no strange god among you: therefore ye are my witnesses, saith the Lord, that I am God. Yea, before the day was, I was: and there is none that can deliver out of my hand: I will work and who shall let it? Thus saith the Lord, your Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel: For your sake I have sent to Babylon, and have brought down all their nobles, and the Chaldeans, whose cry is in the ships. I am the Lord, your Holy One, the Creator of Israel, your King.

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For the Seventh Day of Pesa'h.

Reading from the Torah.

(Exodus xiv, 30, xv. 21.)

THUS the Lord saved Israel that day out of the hand of the Egyptians; and Israel saw the Egyptians dead upon the sea shore. And Israel saw that great work which the Lord did upon the Egyptians; and the people feared the Lord, and believed the Lord, and his servant Moses.

Then sang Moses and the children of Israel this song unto the Lord, and spake, saying, I will sing unto the Lord, for He hath triumphed gloriously: the horse and his rider hath He thrown into the sea. The Lord is my strength and song, and He is become my salvation: He is my God and I will prepare Him a habitation: my father's God, and I will exalt Him. The Lord is a man of war: the Lord is His name. Pharaoh's chariots and his host hath He cast into the sea; His chosen captains also are drowned in the Red sea. The depths have covered them: they sank into the bottom as a stone. Thy right hand, O Lord, hath dashed in pieces the enemy. And in the greatness of Thine excellency Thou hast overthrown them that rose up against Thee; Thou sendest forth Thy wrath, which consumed them as stubble. With the blast of Thy presence the waters were gathered together, the floods stood upright as a heap, and the depths were congealed in the heart of the sea. The enemy said, I will pursue, I will overtake, I will divide the spoil; my lust shall be satisfied

upon them; I will draw my sword, my hand shall destroy them. Thou didst blow with Thy wind, the sea covered them: they sank as lead in the mighty waters. Who is like unto Thee, O Lord, among the gods? who is like Thee, glorious in holiness, fearful in praises, doing wonders? Thou stretchest out Thy right hand, the earth swallowed them. Thou in Thy mercy hasted forth the people which Thou hast redeemed; Thou hast guided them in Thy strength unto Thy holy habitation. Thou shalt bring them and plant them in the mountain of Thine inheritance, in the place, O Lord, Thou hast made for Thee to dwell in, in the sanctuary, O Lord, which Thy hands have established. The Lord shall reign for ever.

Miriam, the prophetess, the sister of Aaron, took a timbrel in her hand; and all the women went out after her with timbrels and with dances. And Miriam answered them: Sing ye to the Lord, for He hath triumphed gloriously. The horse and his rider hath He thrown into the sea.

The Haphtarah.

(Isaiah lxiii, and xliii.)

I WILL mention the loving-kindness of the Lord, and the praises of the Lord, according to all that the Lord hath bestowed on us, and the great goodness toward the house of Israel, which He hath bestowed on them according to His mercies, and according to the multitude of His loving-kindness.

For He said: Surely they are my people, children that will not deal falsely; so He was their savior. In all their affliction He was not far, and the angel of His presence saved them; in His love and in His pity He redeemed them; and He bare them and carried them all the days of old. But they rebelled and vexed His holy spirit; therefore He was turned to be as their enemy, and like one that fought against them. Then He remembered the days of old, Moses and his people, saying: Where is He that brought them out of the sea with the shepherd of his flock? Where is He that put his holy spirit within him?

Thou, O Lord, art our Father; our Redeemer is Thy name from everlasting. We are the clay, Thou our potter; and we are all the work of Thy hand.

Thus saith the Lord who maketh a way in the sea, and a path in the mighty waters; who bringeth forth the chariot and horse, the army and the power; they shall lie down together, they shall not rise; they are extinct, they are quenched as tow. Remember ye not the former things, neither consider the things of old. Behold, I will do a new thing; now it shall spring forth; shall ye not know it? I will even make a way in the wilderness, and rivers in the desert. The beast of the field shall honor me, the dragons and the owls: because I give waters in the wilderness, and rivers in the desert, to give drink to my people, my chosen. This people have I formed for myself; they shall shew forth my praise.

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For Shabuoth.

Reading from the Torah.

(Exodus xix. 1-8; xx. 1-18.)

IN the third month, when the children of Israel were gone forth out of the land of Egypt, the same day came they into the wilderness of Sinai, and had pitched in the wilderness; and there Israel camped before the mount. And Moses went up unto God, and the Lord called unto him out of the mountain, saying, Thus shalt thou say to the house of Jacob, and tell the children of Israel; Ye have seen what I did unto the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles' wings, and brought you unto myself. Now therefore, if you will obey my voice indeed, and keep my covenant, then ye shall be a peculiar treasure unto me above all people: for all the earth is mine; and ye shall be unto me a kingdom of priests, and a holy nation. These are the words which thou shalt speak unto the children of Israel. And Moses came and called for the elders of the people, and laid before them all these words which the Lord commanded him. And all the people answered together, and said, All that the Lord hath spoken will we do. And Moses returned the words of the people unto the Lord.

And God spake these words, saying, I am the Lord thy God, who have brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. Thou shalt have no other gods before me. Thou shalt not

make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth: thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the Lord thy God am a zealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me; and shewing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments. Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain: for the Lord will not hold him guiltless that taketh His name in vain. Remember the sabbath day to keep it holy. Six days shalt thou labor, and do all thy work: but the seventh day is the sabbath of the Lord thy God: in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates: for in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it. Honor thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee. Thou shalt not kill. Thou shalt not commit adultery. Thou shalt not steal. Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor. Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's wife, nor his manservant, nor his maidservant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor anything that is thy neighbor's.

The Haphtarah.

(Joshua xxiv.)

AND Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and called for the elders of Israel, and for their heads and for their judges, and for their officers; and they presented themselves before God. And Joshua said unto all the people, Now fear the Lord and serve him in sincerity and in truth; and put away the gods which your fathers served on the other side of the flood, and in Egypt; and serve ye the Lord. And if it seem evil unto you to serve the Lord, choose you this day whom you will serve; whether the gods which your fathers served that were on the other side of the flood, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land ye dwell: but as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord. And the people answered and said, God forbid that we should forsake the Lord, to serve other gods; for the Lord our God He it is that brought us up and our fathers out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage, and did those great signs in our sight, and preserved us in all the way wherein we went, and among all the people through whom we passed. And Joshua said unto the people, Ye cannot serve the Lord, for He is a holy God. And the people said unto Joshua, Nay; but we will serve the Lord. And Joshua said unto the people. Ye are witnesses against yourselves that ye have chosen you the Lord, to serve Him. And they said, We are witnesses. Now therefore put away, said he, the strange gods which are among you, and incline

your heart unto the Lord God of Israel. And the people said unto Joshua, The Lord our God will we serve, and His voice will we obey. So Joshua made a covenant with the people that day, and set them a statute and an ordinance in Shechem. And Joshua wrote these words in the book of the Law of God, and took a great stone, and set it up there under an oak, that was by the sanctuary of the Lord. And Joshua said unto all the people, Behold, this stone shall be a witness unto us; for it hath heard all the words of the Lord which He spake unto us: it shall be therefore a witness unto you, lest ye deny your God.

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For the First Day of Succoth.

Reading from the Torah.

(Leviticus xxiii, 33-44.)

AND the Lord spake unto Moses, saying, Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, The fifteenth day of this seventh month shall be the feast of tabernacles for seven days unto the Lord. On the first day shall be a holy convocation: ye shall do no servile work therein. Seven days ye shall offer an offering made by fire unto the Lord; on the eighth day shall be a holy convocation unto you, and ye shall offer an offering made by fire unto the Lord: it is a solemn assembly; and ye shall do no servile work therein. These are the feasts of the Lord, which ye shall proclaim to be holy convocations, to offer an offering made by fire unto the Lord, a burnt offering, and a meat offering, a sacrifice, and drink offerings, every thing upon its day: beside the sabbaths of the Lord, and beside your gifts, and beside all your vows, and beside all your freewill offerings, which ye give unto the Lord. Also in the fifteenth day of the seventh month, when ye have gathered in the fruit of the land, ye shall keep a feast unto the Lord seven days: on the first day shall be a sabbath, and on the eighth day shall be a sabbath. And ye shall take you on the first day the boughs of goodly trees, branches of palm trees, and the boughs of thick trees, and willows of the brook; and ye shall rejoice before the Lord your God seven days. And

ye shall keep it a feast unto the Lord seven days in the year: it shall be a statute for ever in your generations; ye shall celebrate it in the seventh month. Ye shall dwell in booths seven days; all that are Israelites born shall dwell in booths: that your generations may know that I made the children of Israel to dwell in booths, when I brought them out of the land of Egypt: I am the Lord your God. And Moses declared unto the children of Israel the feasts of the Lord.

The Haphtarah.

(Isaiah xxxii, xxxv.)

BEHOLD, judgment shall dwell in the wilderness, and righteousness remain in the fruitful field. And the work of righteousness shall be peace; and the effect of righteousness, quietness and assurance for ever. And my people shall dwell in a peaceable habitation, and in sure dwellings, and in quiet resting places. The Lord is exalted; He dwelleth on high; He hath filled Zion with judgment and righteousness. And wisdom and knowledge shall be the stability of thy times, and strength of salvation; the fear of the Lord is thy treasure. He that walketh righteously and speaketh uprightly: he that despiseth the gain of oppressions, that shaketh his hands from holding of bribes, who stoppeth his ears from hearkening to deeds of violence, and shutteth his eyes from seeing evil; he shall dwell on high; his place of defence shall be the munitions of rocks:

bread shall be given him; his waters shall be sure. For the Lord is our judge, the Lord is our lawgiver, the Lord is our king; He will save us.

Strengthen ye the weak hands, and confirm the feeble knees. Say to them that are of a fearful heart, Be strong, fear not: behold your God will come with vengeance, even God with a recompense; He will come and save you. And a highway shall be there, and it shall be called: The way of holiness; the unclean shall not pass over it; the wayfaring man shall not err therein. No lion shall be there; but the redeemed shall walk there: and the ransomed of the Lord shall return, and come to Zion with songs and everlasting joy upon their heads: they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

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Sh'mini Atsereth.

Reading from the Torah.

(Deuteronomy xxxiv.)

AND Moses went up from the plains of Moab unto the mountain of Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, over against Jericho: and the Lord shewed him all the land of Gilead, unto Dan. And all Naphtali, and the land of Ephraim, and Manasseh, and all the land of Judah, unto the utmost sea; and the south, and the plain of the valley of Jericho, the city of palm trees, unto Zoar. And the Lord said unto him, This is the land which I swore unto Abraham, unto Isaac, and unto Jacob, saying, I will give it unto thy seed: I have caused thee to see it with thine eyes, but thou shalt not go over thither. So Moses the servant of the Lord died there in the land of Moab, according to the word of the Lord. And he buried him in a valley in the land of Moab, over against Beth-peor: but no man knoweth of his sepulcher unto this day. And Moses was a hundred and twenty years old when he died: his eye was not dim, nor his natural force abated. And the children of Israel wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days; so the days of weeping and mourning for Moses were ended. And Joshua the son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom; for Moses had laid his hands upon him: and the children of Israel hearkened unto him, and did as the Lord commanded Moses. And there arose not a prophet since in Israel like unto Moses, whom the Lord knew face to face, in all the signs

and the wonders which the Lord sent him to do in the land of Egypt, to Pharaoh, and to all his servants, and to all his land, and in all that mighty hand, and in all the great terror which Moses shewed in the sight of all Israel.

The Haphtarah.

(Joshua i.)

NOW after the death of Moses, the servant of the Lord, it came to pass that the Lord spake unto Joshua the son of Nun, Moses' minister, saying, Moses my servant is dead; now, therefore, arise: go over this Jordan, thou, and all this people, unto the land which I do give to them, even to the children of Israel; only be thou strong and very courageous, that thou mayest observe to do according to all the law which Moses, my servant, commanded thee: turn not from it to the right hand or to the left, that thou mayest prosper whithersoever thou goest. This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success. Then Joshua commanded the officers of the people, saying, Pass through the host and command the people, saying, Prepare you victuals; for within three days ye shall pass over this Jordan, to go in to possess the land, which the Lord your God giveth you to possess it. And to the Reu-

benites, and to the Gadites and to half the tribe of Manasseh spake Joshua, saying, Remember the word which Moses the servant of the Lord commanded you, saying, The Lord, your God, hath given you rest, and hath given you this land. Your wives, your little ones, and your cattle shall remain in the land which Moses gave you on this side Jordan; but ye shall pass before your brethren armed, all the mighty men of valor, and help them; until the Lord have given your brethren rest, as he hath given you, and they also have possessed the land which the Lord your God giveth them; then ye shall return unto the land of your possession and enjoy it, which Moses, the Lord's servant, gave unto you on this side Jordan toward the sunrising. And they answered Joshua, saying, All that thou commandest us we will do, and whithersoever thou sendest us, we will go. According as we hearkened unto Moses in all things, so will we hearken unto thee: only the Lord, thy God, be with thee, as he was with Moses.

PRAYER.

THOU, O Lord, art the source of life, the fountain of light and of truth; O let Thy doctrine descend as the rain, Thy word distil as the dew. Open Thou our hearts that they may receive the good seeds of Thy instruction and let Thy blessing ripen them into fruits of righteousness and works pleasing unto Thee. Yea, let Thy gracious promise be fulfilled in us:

As water upon the thirsty land and floods upon the dry ground will I pour my spirit upon thy children and my blessing upon thy offspring. One shall say: I am the Lord's; another shall call himself by the name of Jacob; and another subscribe himself by the name of Israel.

Also upon the fields of our land let rain and dew descend at the right season and in such manner as to be:

Minister and Choir:

For every one's blessing and the hurt of none!	לִבְרָכָה וְלֹא לִקְלָלָה׃
For every one's joy and the woe of none!	לְשֹׂבַע וְלֹא לְרָזוֹן׃
For every one's life and the death of none!	לְחַיִּים וְלֹא לְמָוֶת׃

Minister:

O prosper this, our nation, in all its industries and its commerce, on land and on sea, so that there may be no want or scarcity anywhere, and all be satisfied because Thou hast opened Thy hand for us. Amen.

RETURNING OF THE SCROLL.

Minister:

O magnify the Lord with me and let us exalt His name together.

גַּדְּלוּ לַיְיָ אִתִּי.
וּנְרוֹמְמָה שְׁמוֹ יַחְדָּו׃

Choir:

His glory is in the earth and in the heavens. He is the strength of all His servants, the praise of them that truly love Him, the hope of Israel, the people He brought nigh to Himself, Hallelujah.

הוֹדוֹ עַל אֶרֶץ וְשָׁמָיִם׃
וַיָּרֶם קֶרֶן לְעַמּוֹ תְּהִלָּה
לְכָל חֲסִידָיו לִבְנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל
עַם קְרֹבוֹ הַלְלוּיָהּ׃

Minister:

The law of the Lord is perfect, restoring the soul; the testimonies of the Lord are faithful, making wise the simple. The precepts of the Lord are plain, rejoicing the heart; the fear of the Lord is pure, enduring for ever. Behold, a good doctrine has been given to you; forsake it not.

תּוֹרַת יְיָ תְּמִימָה.
מְשִׁיבַת נָפֶשׁ. עֵדוּת יְיָ
נֶאֱמָנָה. מַחְכִּימַת פֶּתִי׃
פִּקּוּדֵי יְיָ יְשָׁרִים. מְשַׂמְּחֵי
לֵב. יִרְאַת יְיָ טְהוֹרָה.
עוֹמֶדֶת לָעַד׃ כִּי לֶקַח
טוֹב נָתַתִּי לָכֶם תּוֹרָתִי
אַל־תַּעֲזֹבוּ׃

Choir:

It is a tree of life to them that lay hold of it and the supporters thereof are happy. Its ways are ways of pleasantness and all its paths are peace.

עֵץ־חַיִּים הִיא לַמַּחֲזִיקִים
בָּהּ וְתוֹמְכֶיהָ מְאֻשָּׁר׃
דְּרָכֶיהָ דַרְכֵי־נֹעַם וְכָל־
נְתִיבוֹתֶיהָ שָׁלוֹם׃

HYMN.

SERMON.

HYMN.

ADORATION.

(Congregation standing.)

Minister:

LET us adore the ever-living God, and render praise unto Him who spread out the heavens and established the earth, whose glory is revealed in the heavens above and whose greatness is manifest throughout the world: He is our God, and there is none else.

We bow our head and bend our knee and magnify the King of kings, the Holy One, the Ever-blest.

Choir and Congregation:

וַאֲנַחְנוּ כֹּרְעִים וּמִשְׁתַּחֲוִים וּמוֹדִים לִפְנֵי מֶלֶךְ
מַלְכֵי הַמְּלָכִים הַקָּדוֹשׁ בָּרוּךְ הוּא׃

(Congregation sitting.)

Minister:

MAY the time not be distant, O God, when Thy name shall be worshiped over all the earth, when unbelief shall disappear and error be no more. We fervently pray that the day may come upon which all men shall invoke Thy name, when corruption and evil shall give way to purity and goodness; when superstition shall no longer enslave the minds, nor idolatry blind the eyes, when all inhabitants of

the earth shall perceive that to Thee alone every knee must bend and every tongue give homage. O may all, created in Thine image, recognize that they are brethren, so that they, one in spirit and one in fellowship, may be forever united before Thee. Then shall Thy kingdom be established on earth, and the word of Thine ancient seer be fulfilled: The Eternal shall rule forever and aye.

Congregation:

On that day the Eternal shall be One, and His name shall be One.

Minister:

IN Thy divine wisdom and justice which is past our finding out, Thou hast called from this earth many of our cherished kin: and hearts newly bereaved are desolate now that a dear one has gone from their side. These visitations that come to every home remind us that although our stay on earth is but a pilgrimage, it is yet a part of a larger destiny. Of a surety Thou wilt fulfil Thy promise to those who sleep in the dust. Help us to understand that death does not annihilate the spirit but liberates it, that though we walk through the valley of the shadow of death, we fear no evil, for Thou art with us. May we see Thy love even in our bereavements and never doubt Thy compassion when we are in sorrow and tears. May our faith in Thy wisdom and justice give us strength in the midst of our grief, to sanctify Thy name and to say:

(The mourners standing and speaking with the Minister.)

EXTOLLED and hallowed be the name of God throughout the world which He has created, and which He governs according to His righteous will. Just is He in all His ways, and wise are all His decrees. May His kingdom come, and His will be done in all the earth.

Congregation:

Blessed be the Lord of life and righteous Judge for evermore.

Minister:

To the departed whom we now remember, may peace and bliss be granted in the world of eternal life. There may they find grace and mercy before the Lord of heaven and earth. May their souls rejoice in that ineffable good which God has laid up for those that fear Him, and may their memory be a blessing unto those that cherish it.

Congregation:

Amen.

Minister:

May the Father of peace send peace to all troubled souls, and comfort all the bereaved among us.

Congregation:

Amen.

(The mourners standing and speaking with the Minister.)

יִתְגַּדַּל וְיִתְקַדַּשׁ שְׁמֵהּ רַבָּא. בְּעָלְמָא דִּי־בְרָא כִרְעוּתֵהּ. וְיַמְלִיךְ מַלְכוּתֵהּ. בְּחַיֵּיכוֹן וּבְיוֹמֵיכוֹן וּבְחַיֵּי דְכָל בֵּית יִשְׂרָאֵל. בַּעֲגָלָא וּבִזְמַן קָרִיב. וְאִמְרוּ אָמֵן:

Congregation:

יְהֵא שְׁמֵהּ רַבָּא מְבָרַךְ. לְעָלַם וּלְעָלְמֵי עָלְמַיָּא:

Minister:

יִתְבָּרַךְ וְיִשְׁתַּבַּח וְיִתְפָּאַר וְיִתְרוֹמַם וְיִתְנַשֵּׂא וְיִתְהַדָּר וְיִתְעַלֶּה וְיִתְהַלָּל שְׁמֵהּ דְּקוּדְשָׁא. בְּרִיךְ הוּא. לְעֵלָּא מִן כָּל בִּרְכָתָא וְשִׁירָתָא. תֻּשְׁבְּחָתָא וְנֶחָמָתָא. דַּאֲמִירָן בְּעָלְמָא. וְאִמְרוּ אָמֵן:

עַל יִשְׂרָאֵל וְעַל צַדִּיקַיָּא. וְעַל־כָּל־מַן דְּאִתְפְּטַר מִן עָלְמָא הָדֵין כִּרְעוּתֵהּ דֶּאֱלָהָא. יְהֵא לְהוֹן שְׁלָמָא רַבָּא וְחוּלְקָא טָבָא לְחַיֵּי עָלְמָא דְאָתֵי. וְחִסְדָּא וְרַחֲמֵי מִן־קֳדָם מָרֵא שְׁמַיָּא וְאַרְעָא. וְאִמְרוּ אָמֵן:

יְהֵא שְׁלָמָא רַבָּא מִן־שְׁמַיָּא וְחַיִּים. עָלֵינוּ וְעַל־כָּל־יִשְׂרָאֵל. וְאִמְרוּ אָמֵן:

עֹשֶׂה שָׁלוֹם בִּמְרוֹמָיו. הוּא יַעֲשֶׂה שָׁלוֹם עָלֵינוּ וְעַל כָּל יִשְׂרָאֵל. וְאִמְרוּ אָמֵן:

CLOSING ANTHEM.

(Psalm cl.)

Hallelujah!

PRAISE ye the Lord! praise God in His sanctuary! praise Him in His glorious firmament!

Praise Him for His mighty deeds! praise Him according to His excellent greatness!

Praise Him with the sound of trumpets! praise Him with the psaltery and harp!

Praise Him with the timbrel and dance! praise Him with stringed instruments and flutes!

Praise Him with the clear-sounding cymbals! praise Him with the high-sounding cymbals!

Let every thing that hath breath praise the Lord!

Hallelujah!

CLOSING ANTHEM.

(Psalm cl.)

הַלְלוּיָהּ .

הַלְלוּ אֵל בְּקָדְשׁוֹ . הַלְלוּהוּ בִּרְקִיעַ עֻזּוֹ :

הַלְלוּהוּ בִגְבוּרֹתָיו . הַלְלוּהוּ כְּרֹב גֻּדְלוֹ :

הַלְלוּהוּ בְּתֵקַע שׁוֹפָר . הַלְלוּהוּ בְּנֵבֶל וְכִנּוֹר :

הַלְלוּהוּ בְתֹף וּמָחוֹל . הַלְלוּהוּ בְּמִנִּים וְעֻגָב :

הַלְלוּהוּ בְצִלְצְלֵי שָׁמַע . הַלְלוּהוּ בְּצִלְצְלֵי תְרוּעָה :

כֹּל הַנְּשָׁמָה תְּהַלֵּל יָהּ . הַלְלוּיָהּ :

PARTING BENEDICTION.

O GOD be merciful to us and bless us, and cause Thy face to shine upon us; that Thy doings may be known on the earth, and Thy saving power unto all nations. May God continue to be with us, and may all the ends of the earth worship before Him.

Praised be the Lord daily, for He hath shown us His wonderful kindness. Be of good courage; let your hearts be strong, all ye who trust in the Lord. Let all who seek Thee be glad and rejoice in Thee! Let those who love Thy protection ever rejoice in Thy help.

Lord, Thy peace be with us, the peace that spreadeth out like the heavens, like a tent to dwell in. May there be peace within us; peace in our houses, that works and words of love be found in them. Let us hear what God will speak; for He will speak peace unto His people.

Eternal One, Thou hast shown us what is good and what Thou dost require of us, to do justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with Thee. Great peace have they who love Thy law, and nothing shall offend them. Lord, give strength unto Thy people, O God, bless Thy people with peace.

Evening Service for Week-Days.

Canticle.

Bless ye the Lord, ye servants of the Lord, who stand in the house of God by night. Lift up your hands unto the Lord and worship Him in holiness. The Lord who made heaven and earth will bless thee out of Zion. The Lord will command His loving-kindness by daytime, and at night His song is with me. I call unto the Lord with my voice; He will answer me from His holy mountain. I have trusted in Thy mercy, my heart rejoices in Thy salvation. I will sing unto the Lord, for He hath dealt bountifully with me.

הִנֵּה בָּרְכוּ אֶת יְיָ כָּל־
עַבְדֵי יְיָ הָעוֹמְדִים בְּבֵית
יְיָ בַּלֵּילוֹת׃ שְׂאוּ יְדֵכֶם
קֹדֶשׁ . וּבָרְכוּ אֶת יְיָ׃
יְבָרֶכְךָ יְיָ מִצִּיּוֹן . עֹשֵׂה
שָׁמַיִם וָאָרֶץ׃ יוֹמָם יְצַוֶּה
יְיָ חַסְדּוֹ . וּבַלַּיְלָה שִׁירֹה
עִמִּי׃ קוֹלִי אֶל יְיָ אֶקְרָא .
וַיַּעֲנֵנִי מֵהַר קָדְשׁוֹ סֶלָה׃
וַאֲנִי בְּחַסְדְּךָ בָטַחְתִּי .
יָגֵל לִבִּי בִּישׁוּעָתֶךָ .
אָשִׁירָה לַייָ כִּי גָמַל
עָלָי׃

Responsive Reading.

Minister.

HEAR me, when I call, O God of my righteousness! Thou hast helped me, when I was in distress.

Congregation.

Truly my soul resteth on God alone; from Him cometh my salvation.

Trust in Him at all times, ye people; pour out your heart before Him; God is our refuge.

Hear the righteous cause, O Lord; attend to my cry; give ear to my prayer from lips without deceit.

May my sentence come forth from Thy presence; may Thine eyes behold uprightness.

Probest Thou my heart, visitest Thou me in the night, triest Thou me like gold, mayest Thou find nothing evil.

My thoughts do not vary from my lips, as to the deeds of men.

Through Thy word I have kept me from the paths of the destroyer.

Support my steps in Thy paths, that my foot may not slip.

I call upon Thee, O God! for Thou wilt hear me; incline Thine ear to me, and listen to my prayer.

Show forth Thy loving-kindness, O Thou that savest by Thy right hand, those that seek refuge in Thee from their adversaries.

Guard me as the apple of the eye; hide me under the shadow of Thy wings.

Stand in awe, and sin no more; commune with your hearts upon your beds, and be at peace.

Offer sacrifices of righteousness, and put your trust in the Lord.

There are many that say, who will show us any good?

Lord, lift Thou up the light of Thy countenance upon us.

Thou puttest gladness in my heart, more than when corn and wine increase.

I will lay me down in peace, and sleep; for Thou, O Lord, makest me dwell in safety.

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He maketh me lie down in green pastures; He leadeth me beside the still waters.

He reviveth my soul; He leadeth me in paths of safety, for His name's sake.

When I walk through the valley of the shadow of death I fear no evil; for Thou art with me; Thy stay and Thy staff, they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies. Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

Surely, goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

(Congregation standing.)

Minister:

Praise ye the Lord, to whom all praise is due!

Congregation:

Praised be the Lord from this time forth and forever.

(Congregation sitting.)

Minister:

PRAISE be unto Thee, O Eternal, Ruler of the world, at whose word the shades of evening fall, and by whose will the gates of morn are opened. Thy wisdom established the changes of times and seasons, and ordered the ways of the stars in their heavenly courses. Creator of day and night, Lord of hosts is Thy name. Thou, ever-living God, wilt rule over us forever. Praise be unto Thee, O God, for the day and its work and for the night and its rest.

Infinite as is Thy power, even so is Thy love. Thou didst manifest it unto Israel, Thy servant. By laws and commandments, by statutes and ordinances hast Thou led us into the way of righteousness and brought us to the light of truth. Therefore, at our lying down and our rising up we meditate on Thy teachings and, at all times, rejoice in Thy laws. In them is true life and length of days. O that Thy love may never depart from our hearts. Praise be to Thee, O God, who hast revealed Thy love unto Israel.

(Congregation standing.)

Minister:

בָּרְכוּ אֶת יְיָ הַמְבֹרָךְ:

Congregation:

בָּרוּךְ יְיָ הַמְבֹרָךְ לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד:

(Congregation sitting.)

Minister:

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם. אֲשֶׁר בִּדְבָרוֹ מַעֲרִיב עֲרָבִים. בְּחָכְמָה פּוֹתֵחַ שְׁעָרִים. וּבִתְבוּנָה מְשַׁנֶּה עִתִּים וּמַחֲלִיף אֶת הַזְּמַנִּים. וּמְסַדֵּר אֶת הַכּוֹכָבִים בְּמִשְׁמְרוֹתֵיהֶם בָּרָקִיעַ כִּרְצוֹנוֹ. בּוֹרֵא יוֹם וָלָיְלָה. יְיָ צְבָאוֹת שְׁמוֹ. אֵל חַי וְקַיָּם תָּמִיד יִמְלֹךְ עָלֵינוּ לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד. בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ הַמַּעֲרִיב עֲרָבִים:

אַהֲבַת עוֹלָם בֵּית יִשְׂרָאֵל עַמְּךָ אָהָבְתָּ. תּוֹרָה וּמִצְוֹת חֻקִּים וּמִשְׁפָּטִים אוֹתָנוּ לִמַּדְתָּ. עַל כֵּן יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ בְּשָׁכְבֵנוּ וּבְקוּמֵנוּ נָשִׂיחַ בְּחֻקֶּיךָ. וְנִשְׂמַח בְּדִבְרֵי תוֹרָתֶךָ וּבְמִצְוֹתֶיךָ לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד. כִּי הֵם חַיֵּינוּ וְאֹרֶךְ יָמֵינוּ. וּבָהֶם נֶהְגֶּה יוֹמָם וָלָיְלָה. וְאַהֲבָתְךָ אַל־תָּסִיר מִמֶּנּוּ לְעוֹלָמִים. בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אוֹהֵב עַמּוֹ יִשְׂרָאֵל:

(Congregation standing.)

Minister and Congregation:

Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is One.

Praised be His glorious name forever and ever.

(Congregation sitting.)

Minister:

THOU shalt love the Lord, thy God, with all thy heart, with all thy soul, and with all thy might. And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thy heart. Thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt speak of them when thou sittest in thy house, when thou walkest by the way, when thou liest down, and when thou risest up. Bind them as a sign upon thy hand, and let them be as frontlets between thine eyes. Write them upon the doorposts of thy house and upon thy gates.

To the end that ye may remember to do according to all my commandments and your life be hallowed unto the Lord. I am the Lord your God.

Congregation:

He hath told thee, O man, what is good; what the Lord doth require of thee, but to do justly, to love mercy and to walk humbly with thy God. And thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself, I am the Lord.

(Congregation standing.)

Minister and Congregation:

שְׁמַע יִשְׂרָאֵל יְהֹוָה אֱלֹהֵינוּ יְהֹוָה אֶחָד׃

בָּרוּךְ שֵׁם כְּבוֹד מַלְכוּתוֹ לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד׃

(Congregation sitting.)

Minister:

וְאָהַבְתָּ אֵת יְיָ אֱלֹהֶיךָ בְּכָל־לְבָבְךָ וּבְכָל־נַפְשְׁךָ וּבְכָל־מְאֹדֶךָ׃ וְהָיוּ הַדְּבָרִים הָאֵלֶּה אֲשֶׁר אָנֹכִי מְצַוְּךָ הַיּוֹם עַל־לְבָבֶךָ׃ וְשִׁנַּנְתָּם לְבָנֶיךָ וְדִבַּרְתָּ בָּם. בְּשִׁבְתְּךָ בְּבֵיתֶךָ וּבְלֶכְתְּךָ בַדֶּרֶךְ וּבְשָׁכְבְּךָ וּבְקוּמֶךָ׃ וּקְשַׁרְתָּם לְאוֹת עַל־יָדֶךָ. וְהָיוּ לְטֹטָפֹת בֵּין עֵינֶיךָ׃ וּכְתַבְתָּם עַל־מְזֻזוֹת בֵּיתֶךָ וּבִשְׁעָרֶיךָ׃
לְמַעַן תִּזְכְּרוּ וַעֲשִׂיתֶם אֶת־כָּל־מִצְוֹתָי וִהְיִיתֶם קְדשִׁים לֵאלֹהֵיכֶם׃ אֲנִי יְיָ אֱלֹהֵיכֶם׃

Congregation:

הִגִּיד לְךָ אָדָם מַה־טּוֹב. וּמָה יְהֹוָה דּוֹרֵשׁ מִמְּךָ. כִּי אִם־עֲשׂוֹת מִשְׁפָּט וְאַהֲבַת חֶסֶד וְהַצְנֵעַ לֶכֶת עִם אֱלֹהֶיךָ׃ וְאָהַבְתָּ לְרֵעֲךָ כָּמוֹךָ. אֲנִי יְהֹוָה׃

Responsive Reading.

Minister.

ETERNAL truth is Thy word unto us: Thou alone art our God, there is none else beside.

Congregation.

And through Thy power alone has Israel been redeemed from the power of tyrants.

Wonders without number hast Thou wrought for us, and hast graciously protected us to this day.

Thou hast preserved our soul unto life, and hast not suffered our feet to stumble.

Thy love has watched over us in the night of oppression, and Thy mercy has sustained us in the hour of trial.

And now that we live in a land of freedom and justice, may we continue to be faithful to Thee and Thy word.

May Thy love rule over all Thy children, and Thy truth unite them in the bonds of fellowship.

Let the righteous of all nations rejoice in Thy grace, and exult in Thy justice.

O God, Thou art our refuge and our hope: we glorify Thy name now, as did our fathers in the ancient days:

Minister and Congregation:

Who is like unto Thee, O God, among the mighty? Who is like unto Thee, glorious in holiness, extolled in praises, working wonders?

The Lord reigneth for ever and ever.

Minister:

As Thou hast redeemed Israel and saved him from arms stronger than his, so mayest Thou send redemption to all people who are oppressed and persecuted, and grant them the blessings of liberty, of justice and of peace.

Congregation:—Amen.

Minister:

ETERNAL, our God, and God of our fathers, Almighty Ruler of the universe, who renderest just reward unto all Thy creatures, eternal is Thy love, as Thy might is infinite. Thou sustainest in mercy the living, Thou upholdest the falling, healest the sick, freest the imprisoned, and fulfillest Thy gracious promise of immortal life to those who sleep in the dust. Blessed art Thou, O God, perfect in justice and holiness.

Heavenly Father, who graciously bestowest knowledge on man and endowest him with reason, be pleased to send us the light of Thy truth that we may gain an ever clearer insight into the wisdom of Thy ways. Banish from our hearts every desire and thought of evil, that we may truly reverence Thy holy name. Forgive us our sins, pardon our failings, and remove from us suffering and sorrow. May the erring and the wayward be led to know Thy loving-kindness, and to serve Thee in newness of heart; and may those who love virtue and do the right, ever be glad in Thy favor. Bless our land with

plenty, and our nation with peace; may righteousness dwell in our midst and virtue reign among us.

O Thou, who knowest our needs before we utter them, and ordainest all things for the best, in Thee do we forever put our trust.

Congregation:—Amen.

Silent Prayer:

GRANT, O heavenly Father, that we lie down for our nightly rest with a quiet mind, and rise again in the morning in health and strength, to take up the duties of the new day. May Thy protection be a shield around our homes during our sleeping hours. Preserve us from evil occurrences, from the sword of the foe, from civil troubles, from pestilence, famine and destruction. May we put aside all our cares and surrender our lives and the lives of our loved ones into Thy keeping. May we readily forgive those who wronged us, and seek forgiveness of those whom we have wronged. So shall Thy blessing attend the closing and the opening days, and Thy peace, O God, abide within us.

May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in Thy sight, O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.

(Adoration and Kaddish page 48.)

Evening Service at the House of Mourning.

Minister:

IN whatever place I will cause my name to be mentioned I will come to thee and bless thee.

The Lord is nigh to all that call upon Him; that call upon Him in truth.

Offer unto God the sacrifices of righteousness; call upon Him in the day of trouble, and He will deliver thee.

The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit, a broken and contrite heart, O God, Thou wilt not despise.

Thus saith the Lord, the High and Holy One: I dwell in the high and holy place, yet with him also that is of a contrite and humble spirit; to revive the spirit of the humble and to quicken the heart of the contrite.

Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord, who shall stand in his holy place? He that hath clean hands, and a pure heart; who hath not lifted up his soul unto vanity, nor sworn deceitfully. He shall receive the blessing of the Lord, and righteousness from the God of his salvation.

Responsive Reading:

Minister.

BLESS the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless His holy name.

Congregation.

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits.

Who forgiveth thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases;

Who redeemeth thy life from the grave; who crowneth thee with loving-kindness and tender mercies.

The Lord is merciful and kind, slow to anger and rich in mercy.

He hath not dealt with us according to our sins, nor requited us according to our iniquities.

As high as are the heavens above the earth, so great is His mercy to them that fear Him.

And as far as the east is from the west, so far hath He removed our transgressions from us.

Like as a father pitieth his children, so the Lord pitieth them that fear Him.

For He knoweth our frame, He remembereth that we are dust.

As for man, his days are as grass; as a flower of the field, so he flourisheth.

The wind passeth over it, and it is gone; and its place shall know it no more.

But the mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting, and His righteousness to children's children.

The Lord hath established His throne in the heavens, and His kingdom ruleth over all.

Bless the Lord, all ye His hosts; ye, His ministers, who do His pleasure.

Bless the Lord, all His works, in all places of His dominion. Bless the Lord, O my soul!

May the Lord hear thee in the day of trouble: may His love defend thee.

He will send thee help from His sanctuary, and strengthen thee out of Zion.

May He have regard to all thy offerings, and accept thy sacrifice.

He will grant thy heart's desire, and fulfil all thy purposes.

For Thou, O Lord, art a God full of compassion and kindness, long-suffering, rich in mercy and truth.

Show me a token for good; because Thou, O Lord, helpest and comfortest me.

The Lord is my portion, saith my soul, therefore will I hope in Him.

It is good for man to wait patiently for the salvation of God.

Let us search our hearts and prove our ways, and let us turn to Him, whose compassion faileth never.

Meditation:

GOD is nigh to all that call upon Him in truth; He answereth those that wait for Him, and sendeth light and rest to the longing heart. Every reverent thought is a blessing; every act of homage prompted by our sense of His greatness is a benediction; no true prayer remains unrewarded. But the purest offering is that prayer which springs from our sympathy with the afflicted and our compassion with the sorrowing and bereaved. For it is free from all selfish motives; it is inspired by the love of our fellowmen and sanctified by our pity with the suffering.

Whilst we are assembled with our friends in the shadow that has fallen on their home, and are entering sincerely into their grief, we will raise our voices together in prayer to the Father above, beseeching for them His comfort and His strength. They need light in the gloom that has gathered around their hearth; and whence can it come to them but from the Father of Light? They need fortitude, patience and resignation under the chastenings of the Lord. Whence can they receive these gifts save from Him who has laid the burden of suffering on them? Who amongst us has not passed through similar trials and endured like visitations? Some bear fresh wounds in their own hearts, and therefore feel more keenly the human kinship of sorrow. Others whose days of trial are more remote, but who have not yet forgotten them, recall the soothing comfort that fellow-feeling brought to

their broken spirits. And those who have not yet tasted of the bitter cup cannot know how soon they may be called upon to drink of it. We are travelers on the same road which leads to the same goal. All that we prize most highly is but lent to us for a time, and we must surrender it when the Power above demands.

May we not leave unheeded the lessons which every house of mourning teaches:

Number well thy earthly days,
Let thy heart to wisdom turn;
Riches go not with us hence.
Worldly honors stay behind;
Practice virtue, walk upright,
Blissful shall thy end then be.
For God regards His servant's soul,
Forsaketh not who trusts in Him!

"In the day of prosperity be joyful; but in the day of adversity—consider: God has set the one day over against the other: He has made this as well as that, and no man can find out what follows after it." —*Ecclesiastes vii. 14.*

"What? Shall we receive the good at God's hand, and shall we not receive evil? In all this Job did not sin with his lips."—*Job ii. 10.*

(Congregation standing.)

Minister:

Praise ye the Lord, to whom all praise is due!

Choir and Congregation:

Praised be the Lord from this time forth and forever.

(Congregation sitting.)

Minister:

PRAISE be unto Thee, O Eternal, Ruler of the world, at whose word the shades of evening fall, and by whose will the gates of morn are opened. Thy wisdom established the changes of times and seasons, and ordered the ways of the stars in their heavenly courses. Creator of day and night, Lord of hosts is Thy name. Thou, ever-living God, wilt rule over us forever. Praise be unto Thee, O God, for the day and its work and for the night and its rest.

Infinite as is Thy power, even so is Thy love. Thou didst manifest it unto Israel, Thy servant. By laws and commandments, by statutes and ordinances hast Thou led us into the way of righteousness and brought us to the light of truth. Therefore, at our lying down and our rising up we meditate on Thy teachings and, at all times, rejoice in Thy laws. In them is true life and length of days. O, that Thy love may never depart from our hearts. Praise be to Thee, O God, who hast revealed Thy love unto Israel.

(Congregation standing.)

Minister :

בָּרְכוּ אֶת יְיָ הַמְבֹרָךְ׃

Congregation :

בָּרוּךְ יְיָ הַמְבֹרָךְ לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד׃

(Congregation sitting.)

Minister :

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם. אֲשֶׁר בִּדְבָרוֹ מַעֲרִיב עֲרָבִים. בְּחָכְמָה פּוֹתֵחַ שְׁעָרִים. וּבִתְבוּנָה מְשַׁנֶּה עִתִּים וּמַחֲלִיף אֶת הַזְּמַנִּים. וּמְסַדֵּר אֶת הַכּוֹכָבִים בְּמִשְׁמְרוֹתֵיהֶם בָּרָקִיעַ כִּרְצוֹנוֹ. בּוֹרֵא יוֹם וָלָיְלָה. יְיָ צְבָאוֹת שְׁמוֹ. אֵל חַי וְקַיָּם תָּמִיד יִמְלֹךְ עָלֵינוּ לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד. בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ הַמַּעֲרִיב עֲרָבִים׃

אַהֲבַת עוֹלָם בֵּית יִשְׂרָאֵל עַמְּךָ אָהָבְתָּ. תּוֹרָה וּמִצְוֹת חֻקִּים וּמִשְׁפָּטִים אוֹתָנוּ לִמַּדְתָּ. עַל כֵּן יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ בְּשָׁכְבֵנוּ וּבְקוּמֵנוּ נָשִׂיחַ בְּחֻקֶּיךָ. וְנִשְׂמַח בְּדִבְרֵי תוֹרָתֶךָ וּבְמִצְוֹתֶיךָ לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד. כִּי הֵם חַיֵּינוּ וְאֹרֶךְ יָמֵינוּ. וּבָהֶם נֶהְגֶּה יוֹמָם וָלָיְלָה. וְאַהֲבָתְךָ אַל־תָּסִיר מִמֶּנּוּ לְעוֹלָמִים. בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אוֹהֵב עַמּוֹ יִשְׂרָאֵל׃

(Congregation standing.)

Minister and Congregation:

Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is One.

Praised be His glorious name forever and ever.

(Congregation sitting.)

Minister:

THOU shalt love the Lord, thy God, with all thy heart, with all thy soul, and with all thy might. And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thy heart. Thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt speak of them when thou sittest in thy house, when thou walkest by the way, when thou liest down, and when thou risest up. Bind them as a sign upon thy hand, and let them be as frontlets between thine eyes. Write them upon the doorposts of thy house and upon thy gates.

To the end that ye may remember to do according to all my commandments and your life be hallowed unto the Lord. I am the Lord your God.

Congregation:

He hath told thee, O man, what is good; what the Lord doth require of thee, but to do justly, to love mercy and to walk humbly with thy God. And thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. I am the Lord.

(Congregation standing.)

Minister and Congregation:

שְׁמַע יִשְׂרָאֵל יְהֹוָה אֱלֹהֵינוּ יְהֹוָה אֶחָד׃

בָּרוּךְ שֵׁם כְּבוֹד מַלְכוּתוֹ לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד׃

(Congregation sitting.)

Minister:

וְאָהַבְתָּ אֵת יְיָ אֱלֹהֶיךָ בְּכָל־לְבָבְךָ וּבְכָל־נַפְשְׁךָ וּבְכָל־מְאֹדֶךָ׃ וְהָיוּ הַדְּבָרִים הָאֵלֶּה אֲשֶׁר אָנֹכִי מְצַוְּךָ הַיּוֹם עַל־לְבָבֶךָ׃ וְשִׁנַּנְתָּם לְבָנֶיךָ וְדִבַּרְתָּ בָּם. בְּשִׁבְתְּךָ בְּבֵיתֶךָ וּבְלֶכְתְּךָ בַדֶּרֶךְ וּבְשָׁכְבְּךָ וּבְקוּמֶךָ׃ וּקְשַׁרְתָּם לְאוֹת עַל־יָדֶךָ. וְהָיוּ לְטֹטָפֹת בֵּין עֵינֶיךָ׃ וּכְתַבְתָּם עַל־מְזֻזוֹת בֵּיתֶךָ וּבִשְׁעָרֶיךָ׃

לְמַעַן תִּזְכְּרוּ וַעֲשִׂיתֶם אֶת־כָּל־מִצְוֹתָי וִהְיִיתֶם קְדוֹשִׁים לֵאלֹהֵיכֶם׃ אֲנִי יְיָ אֱלֹהֵיכֶם׃

Congregation:

הִגִּיד לְךָ אָדָם מַה־טּוֹב. וּמָה יְהֹוָה דּוֹרֵשׁ מִמְּךָ. כִּי אִם־עֲשׂוֹת מִשְׁפָּט וְאַהֲבַת חֶסֶד וְהַצְנֵעַ לֶכֶת עִם אֱלֹהֶיךָ׃ וְאָהַבְתָּ לְרֵעֲךָ כָּמוֹךָ. אֲנִי יְהֹוָה׃

Minister:

ETERNAL, our God, and God of our fathers, Almighty Ruler of the universe, who renderest just reward unto all Thy creatures; eternal is Thy love, as Thy might is infinite. Thou sustainest in mercy the living, Thou upholdest the falling, healest the sick, freest the imprisoned, and fulfillest Thy gracious promise of immortal life to those who sleep in the dust. Blessed art Thou, O God, perfect in justice and holiness.

Congregation:—Amen.

In Thy mercy, O God, hear our prayers and be near us when we call upon Thee in the sorrow of our hearts. May the thought of Thine infinite love bring comfort and consolation to all those who mourn. For Thou alone canst heal our wounds and dry our tears. Help us and we shall be helped, heal us and we shall be healed; for Thou alone art our true helper; from Thee comes healing of all our ailments and consolation in our sorrows.

Congregation:—Amen.

Silent Prayer:

IN the night of sorrow we turn to Thee, O God, who dwellest with the contrite of heart. At Thy command we have bedded to rest one to whom we clung with all the fibers of our being. Spread over him (*her*) the sheltering booth of Thy peace. We would not murmur at Thy inscrutable

decree, but pray Thee for strength to bear what Thou hast put on us. Where can we find support but in Thee? Let us lie down in peace, though our hearts are sorely rent: let, in the night which enshrouds us now, Thy light shine upon us, that we may still find the path of life, and willingly pursue it to the goal which Thou appointest to each of Thy children. We know that every night has its morning: that after the hours of darkness come again the hours of daylight. Grant that we, too, may rise again to do our allotted tasks in peace of soul; that we, too, may remember that the seed, oft sown in tears, ripens into a harvest to be gathered in joy.

We thank Thee for the life which in Thy love Thou hast given, and in Thy wisdom hast taken away. Make us to know Thy ways, that in our love we triumph over selfish woe and grief. Blessed art Thou who lowerest into the grave, but bringest up again, who woundest, and bindest up. Let the balm of Thy assurance be distilled into our troubled spirits, that athwart our tears may arch the rainbow of Thy eternal promise. Praise be to Thee, O God, who comfortest the mourners. Amen.

ADORATION.

(Congregation standing.)

Minister:

ALMIGHTY God, Thou hast created the world in wisdom: Thou guidest the destinies of man with a just and wise purpose. As a father dost Thou love us and bestow on us unceasing mercies. Even when Thou sendest us trials, yea, makest us suffer bereavement, we will not doubt that Thy doings are meant for good and not for evil. In our griefs as in our joys we acknowledge Thy power, that giveth and taketh away.

Before Thee we bow the head and bend the knee, and humbly resign ourselves to Thy holy decrees.

Minister and Congregation together:

וַאֲנַחְנוּ כֹּרְעִים וּמִשְׁתַּחֲוִים וּמוֹדִים לִפְנֵי מֶלֶךְ
מַלְכֵי הַמְּלָכִים הַקָּדוֹשׁ בָּרוּךְ הוּא׃

(Congregation sitting.)

Minister:

WE remember that we are only pilgrims upon this earth; that it is our duty to walk in Thy ways, to do what is good in Thy sight, to keep our souls pure from sin; and when Thou callest us hence, attain that reward which is prepared for those who

have earnestly striven to live in accordance with Thy will. To Thee we look for comfort and strength when one of our beloved is taken from us, and a link broken in the chain of love that binds us together in family union. And when our time comes to walk into the valley of the shadow of death, we will fear no evil, for Thou art with us in death as in life, here and hereafter. Blessed be Thou, O Eternal, our God, in all Thy dispensations; and hallowed shall be Thy name, whatsoever Thou mayest send us.

(The Minister may add a special prayer befitting the occasion, concluding with the Kaddish.)

(The mourners standing and speaking with the Minister.)

EXTOLLED and hallowed be the name of God throughout the world which He has created, and which He governs according to His righteous will. Just is He in all His ways, and wise are all His decrees. May His kingdom come, and His will be done in all the earth.

Congregation:

Blessed be the Lord of life and righteous Judge for evermore.

Minister:

To the departed whom we now remember, may peace and bliss be granted in the world of eternal life. There may they find grace and mercy before the Lord of heaven and earth. May their souls rejoice in that ineffable good which God has laid up for those that fear Him, and may their memory be a blessing unto those that cherish it.

Congregation:

Amen.

Minister:

May the Father of peace send peace to all troubled souls, and comfort all the bereaved among us.

Congregation:

Amen.

(The mourners standing and speaking with the Minister.)

יִתְגַּדַּל וְיִתְקַדַּשׁ שְׁמֵהּ רַבָּא. בְּעָלְמָא דִּי־בְרָא כִרְעוּתֵהּ. וְיַמְלִיךְ מַלְכוּתֵהּ. בְּחַיֵּיכוֹן וּבְיוֹמֵיכוֹן וּבְחַיֵּי דְכָל בֵּית יִשְׂרָאֵל. בַּעֲגָלָא וּבִזְמַן קָרִיב. וְאִמְרוּ אָמֵן:

Congregation:

יְהֵא שְׁמֵהּ רַבָּא מְבָרַךְ. לְעָלַם וּלְעָלְמֵי עָלְמַיָּא:

Minister:

יִתְבָּרַךְ וְיִשְׁתַּבַּח וְיִתְפָּאַר וְיִתְרוֹמַם וְיִתְנַשֵּׂא וְיִתְהַדָּר וְיִתְעַלֶּה וְיִתְהַלָּל שְׁמֵהּ דְּקוּדְשָׁא. בְּרִיךְ הוּא. לְעֵלָּא מִן כָּל בִּרְכָתָא וְשִׁירָתָא. תֻּשְׁבְּחָתָא וְנֶחָמָתָא. דַּאֲמִירָן בְּעָלְמָא. וְאִמְרוּ אָמֵן:

עַל יִשְׂרָאֵל וְעַל צַדִּיקַיָּא. וְעַל־כָּל־מַן דְּאִתְפְּטַר מִן עָלְמָא הָדֵין כִּרְעוּתֵהּ דֶּאֱלָהָא. יְהֵא לְהוֹן שְׁלָמָא רַבָּא וְחוּלָקָא טָבָא לְחַיֵּי עָלְמָא דְּאָתֵי. וְחִסְדָּא וְרַחֲמֵי מִן־קֳדָם מָרֵא שְׁמַיָּא וְאַרְעָא. וְאִמְרוּ אָמֵן:

יְהֵא שְׁלָמָא רַבָּא מִן־שְׁמַיָּא וְחַיִּים. עָלֵינוּ וְעַל־כָּל־יִשְׂרָאֵל. וְאִמְרוּ אָמֵן:

עֹשֶׂה שָׁלוֹם בִּמְרוֹמָיו. הוּא יַעֲשֶׂה שָׁלוֹם עָלֵינוּ וְעַל כָּל יִשְׂרָאֵל. וְאִמְרוּ אָמֵן:

Minister:

PRESERVE me, O God, for to Thee do I look for help. I have said to the Lord, Thou art my God; I have no happiness beyond Thee. The holy that are in the land, and the excellent,—in them are my delight. They who hasten after false gods have multiplied sorrows. The Lord is my portion and my cup; Thou wilt maintain my lot. My portion has fallen to me in pleasant places; yea, I have a goodly inheritance. I will bless the Lord who careth for me; yea, in the night my heart admonisheth me. I set the Lord before me at all times; since He is at my right hand, I shall not fall. Therefore my heart is glad, and my spirit rejoiceth; yea, my flesh dwelleth in security. Thou wilt show me the path of life; in Thy presence is fullness of joy; at Thy right hand are pleasures evermore.

[Psalm xvi.]

Benediction:

The Lord will give His angels charge to guard thee on all thy ways.

May the Lord bless our going out and our coming in, from this time forth, even forever. Amen.

Morning Service for Week-Days.

Silent Prayers:

MY voice wilt Thou hear in the morning; I will direct my prayer unto Thee and look up to Thee. Satisfy us early with Thy mercy, that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.

This I reply to my heart, therefore have I hope, that the mercies of God have not ceased, that His compassion is not ended; they are new every morning, His faithfulness is everlasting.

Hear my cry, O God, attend to my prayer, lead me to the rock that is higher than I.

Blessed be the God who daily loadeth us with benefits.

O God, Thou art my God; earnestly do I seek Thee; my soul longeth for Thee, as in a dry, thirsty land. I look toward Thee in Thy sanctuary, to behold Thy power and Thy glory. For Thy loving-kindness is better than life; therefore my lips shall praise Thee.

I will praise the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

My God, the soul which Thou hast given unto me came pure from Thy hands. Thou hast created it; Thou hast formed it; Thou hast breathed it into me; Thou hast preserved it in this body and, at the appointed time, Thou wilt take it from this earth that it may enter upon the life everlasting. While the soul animates my being I will worship Thee, Sovereign of the world and Lord of all souls. Blessed be Thou, O Lord, in whose hands are the souls of all the living and the spirits of all flesh.

May it please Thee to lead us in the way of Thy law, that our hearts may cleave to Thy commandments. O suffer us not to fall into the power of sin and transgression, help us to overcome temptation and save us from contempt of Thy ordinances. May Thy good spirit within us always prompt us to do the works of goodness. May not wicked men be our associates, but may we have fellowship with the righteous and the wise who serve Thee in purity of heart. And when we have gone astray and done amiss, may Thine admonitions bring us back to Thee and restore to us the joy of a peaceful conscience. May we live through this day and all the days of our pilgrimage as it behooves those to whom Thou hast revealed the holiness of Thy being and the righteousness of Thy law.

Minister:

THOU, O God, wast ere the world was created, and Thou hast been the same since it has been created. Thou art the same in this world as in the world to come. Though all things change and pass away, Thou changest not, and Thy years have no end. O that all the inhabitants of the earth might perceive and understand that Thou art God, Thou alone, and that Thine is the dominion over all the kingdoms of the earth. Which among the works of Thy hands above or below can say unto Thee: What doest Thou? Our Father, who art in heaven, deal graciously with us for the sake of Thy great mercy and go not into judgment with Thy servants. Shouldest Thou visit upon us all our sins, O Lord, who would be able to stand before Thee, seeing that there is no man that doeth the good always and sinneth not? But there is forgiveness with Thee and long-suffering, and Thou receivest in mercy those who turn to Thee with a repentant heart and earnestly strive to sin not again. Grant us Thy peace, O God, that we and all our brethren may indeed sanctify Thy name, and in word and deed glorify Thy memorial in every land whither Thou hast led us.

Choir:—Amen.

RESPONSIVE READINGS.

(One selection to be read at each service.)

Responsive Readings:

I.

Minister.

BLESSED be He who hath created day and night, and hath suffered us to see this morning.

Congregation.

Blessed be He who hath given us freedom, that we may serve Him with a willing heart.

Blessed be He whose will ruleth over all, and ordaineth our lot as is meet in his wisdom.

Blessed be He who hath opened our eyes to the truth, and gave us the knowledge of His love.

Blessed be He who raiseth those that are bowed down; and is nigh to those who are of a humble spirit.

Blessed be He who ordaineth the steps of man, and giveth strength to the weary and vigor to the feeble.

Blessed be He who has endowed Israel with power to endure trials and to remain faithful to His covenant.

From the rising of the sun even unto the going down thereof the Lord's name shall be praised.

We will praise Him in the morning, and in the night time His song shall still be with us.

Choir:

Blessed be the Lord of Israel who alone doth wondrous things; the whole earth is full of His glory. Hallelujah.

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II.

(Psalm xix.)

Minister.

THE heavens declare the glory of God; the firmament showeth forth the work of His hands.

Congregation.

Day uttereth instruction unto day, and night showeth knowledge unto night.

There is no speech nor language, and their voice is not heard;

Yet their sound goeth forth to all the earth; and their words to the ends of the world.

The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul;

The precepts of the Lord are sure, making wise the simple.

The statutes of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart;

The commandments of the Lord are pure, enlightening the eyes.

The fear of the Lord is clean, enduring forever;

The judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.

More precious are they than gold; yea, than much fine gold; sweeter than honey and the honeycomb.

By them also is thy servant warned, and in keeping of them there is great reward.

Who knoweth his own errors? O cleanse Thou me from secret faults.

Keep back also thy servant from presumptuous sins; let them not have dominion over me.

Then shall I be upright and free from great transgression.

Choir:

May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in Thy sight, O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.

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III.

Minister.

O GIVE thanks unto the Lord, for His mercy endureth forever.

Congregation.

Who can utter the mighty acts of the Lord? Who can show forth His praise?

Blessed are they that keep judgment, that do righteousness at all times.

Remember us, O Lord, with Thy favor, visit us with Thy salvation;

That we may see the good of Thy servants, and rejoice with the gladness of Thy people.

All nations shall come and worship before Thee, they shall glorify Thy name.

Surely, His salvation is nigh to them that fear Him, that glory may dwell in our land.

Mercy and truth shall meet together, righteousness and peace shall kiss each other.

Truth shall spring out of the earth and justice look down from heaven.

Show us Thy mercy, O God, and let peace dwell in our land.

ANTHEM.

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IV.

Minister.

HOW lovely are Thy tabernacles, O Lord of hosts!

Congregation.

My soul longeth, yea, fainteth, for the courts of the Lord;

My heart and my flesh cry aloud for the living God.

Happy are they who dwell in Thy house, they will continually praise Thee.

Happy are they whose glory is in Thee, in whose hearts are Thy ways.

Who go on from strength to strength; every one of them appeareth before God.

For the Lord God is a sun and a shield; the Lord giveth grace and glory;

No good thing doth He withhold from those who walk uprightly.

O Lord of hosts, happy the man who trusteth in Thee.

ANTHEM.

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V.

Minister.

I WILL bless the Lord at all times; His praise shall continually be in my mouth.

Congregation.

In the Lord doth my soul boast; let the afflicted hear and rejoice.

O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt His name together.

I sought the Lord, and He heard me, and delivered me from my fears.

Look up to Him, and ye shall have light; your faces shall never be ashamed.

This afflicted man cried, and the Lord heard, and saved him from all his troubles.

The angels of the Lord encamp around those who fear Him, and deliver them.

O taste and see how good is the Lord; happy the man who trusteth in Him.

O fear the Lord, ye His servants, for to those who fear Him there shall be no want.

The eyes of the Lord are upon the righteous, and His ears are open to their cry.

The Lord is near to them that are of a broken heart, and saveth such as are of a contrite spirit.

Choir:

The Lord redeemeth the life of His servants, and none that put their trust in Him shall be condemned.

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VI.

Minister.

MARVELOUS things of the Lord, our God, have we heard, and our fathers have told us.

Congregation.

Repeat to their children His ancient praise, that the generations may set their hope in God.

They that trust in the Lord shall be as His holy hill, which cannot be removed.

As the mountains are round about Jerusalem, so the Lord encompasseth them for ever.

The secret of the Lord is with them that fear Him; in the time of trouble He hideth them in His pavilion.

In the daytime He leadeth them with a cloud, and in the night with a light of fire.

Though they fall, they shall not be utterly cast down, for the Lord upholdeth them with His arm.

They shall not be afraid of evil tidings, for their times are in His hands.

Because their heart is not haughty, nor their eyes lofty, and they are quiet as a weaned child;

Therefore He lifteth them up and girdeth them with might, though they know it not.

Commit thy way unto the Lord, wait patiently for Him, and thou shalt never be forsaken;

He will draw thee out of the dark waters and show thee the path of life.

Who is among you that feareth the Lord, yet walketh in darkness, and hath no light?

Let him surely trust in the Lord and stay upon his God.

Lift up your eyes to the heavens and look upon the earth beneath;

The heavens shall vanish away like smoke, and the earth shall wax old like a garment;

And they that dwell therein shall die in like manner;

But the salvation of the Lord shall be for ever, and His righteousness shall not fail.

ANTHEM.

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VII.

Minister.

BLESSED is the nation whose God is the Lord; the people He hath chosen for His inheritance.

Congregation.

Open ye the gates that the righteous nation may enter in.

For when the righteous bear sway, the people rejoice; but when the wicked bear rule, the people mourn.

Woe to thee, O land, when equity can not enter, when judgment is turned backward;

Blessed art thou, O land, when thy law is not slackened;

When thou makest thy rulers Righteousness, and thine officers Peace;

When each despiseth the gain of oppression, and shaketh his hands from holding bribes;

And respecteth not the person of the poor, nor honoreth the person of the mighty;

But in righteousness serveth the people, and establisheth true judgment in the gates.

Then shall violence be no more heard in thy land, nor wasting and destruction within thy borders.

Then shall justice roll down as waters, and righteousness as a mighty stream.

And thou shalt call thy walls Salvation and thy gates Praise.

For righteousness exalteth a nation and injustice is a reproach to the people;

And in righteousness hath the Lord called thee and given thee for a light to the nations.

O God, we have heard with our ears, and our fathers have told us, what works Thou didst in their days, and in the times before them.

Our lines have fallen unto us in pleasant places, yea, we have a goodly heritage.

O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good, for His mercy endureth forever.

ANTHEM.

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(Congregation standing.)

Minister:

Praise ye the Lord, to whom all praise is due!

Choir and Congregation:

Praised be the Lord from this time forth and forever.

(Congregation sitting.)

Minister:

PRAISE be to Thee, O Lord, our God, Ruler of the world, who in Thy mercy causest light to shine over the earth and all its inhabitants, and daily renewest the works of creation. How manifold are Thy works, O Eternal; in wisdom hast Thou made them all; the earth is full of Thy possessions. The heavens declare Thy glory and the firmament showeth Thy handiwork. Thou formest light and darkness, ordainest good out of evil, and bringest harmony into nature, and peace to the heart of man.

With love abounding hast Thou guided us, O our God, and with great compassion hast Thou borne with us. Because our fathers believed and trusted in Thee, therefore hast Thou taught them the laws of life, and shown them the way of wisdom. We beseech Thee, O merciful Father, to grant us discernment, that we may understand and fulfil all the teachings of Thy word. Make us gladly obedient to Thy commandments and fill our hearts with love and reverence for Thee. In Thee we put our trust; we rejoice and delight in Thy help; for with Thee alone is salvation. Thou hast called us as the teachers of Thy law; Thou hast chosen us for a holy mission

(Congregation standing.)

Minister:

בָּרְכוּ אֶת יְיָ הַמְבֹרָךְ:

Choir and Congregation:

בָּרוּךְ יְיָ הַמְבֹרָךְ לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד:

(Congregation sitting.)

Minister:

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם. יוֹצֵר אוֹר וּבוֹרֵא חֹשֶׁךְ. עֹשֶׂה שָׁלוֹם וּבוֹרֵא אֶת הַכֹּל:

הַמֵּאִיר לָאָרֶץ וְלַדָּרִים עָלֶיהָ בְּרַחֲמִים. וּבְטוּבוֹ מְחַדֵּשׁ בְּכָל־יוֹם תָּמִיד מַעֲשֵׂה־בְרֵאשִׁית: מָה רַבּוּ מַעֲשֶׂיךָ יְיָ. כֻּלָּם בְּחָכְמָה עָשִׂיתָ. מָלְאָה הָאָרֶץ קִנְיָנֶךָ: תִּתְבָּרַךְ יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ עַל־שֶׁבַח מַעֲשֵׂה יָדֶיךָ. וְעַל־מְאוֹרֵי־אוֹר שֶׁעָשִׂיתָ יְפָאֲרוּךָ סֶלָה: בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ יוֹצֵר הַמְּאוֹרוֹת:

אַהֲבָה רַבָּה אֲהַבְתָּנוּ יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ. חֶמְלָה גְדוֹלָה וִיתֵרָה חָמַלְתָּ עָלֵינוּ: אָבִינוּ מַלְכֵּנוּ. בַּעֲבוּר אֲבוֹתֵינוּ שֶׁבָּטְחוּ בְךָ וַתְּלַמְּדֵם חֻקֵּי חַיִּים. כֵּן תְּחָנֵּנוּ וּתְלַמְּדֵנוּ: הָאֵר עֵינֵינוּ בְּתוֹרָתֶךָ. וְדַבֵּק לִבֵּנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתֶיךָ. וְיַחֵד לְבָבֵנוּ לְאַהֲבָה וּלְיִרְאָה שְׁמֶךָ. וְלֹא נֵבוֹשׁ לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד: כִּי בְשֵׁם קָדְשְׁךָ בָטָחְנוּ. נָגִילָה וְנִשְׂמְחָה בִּישׁוּעָתֶךָ. כִּי אֵל פּוֹעֵל יְשׁוּעוֹת אָתָּה.

unto mankind; therefore do we joyfully lift up our voices and proclaim Thy unity. Blessed be Thou, O God, who hast revealed Thy truth through Israel.

(Congregation standing.)

Minister, then Choir and Congregation:

Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is One.

Praised be His glorious name forever and ever.

(Congregation sitting.)

Minister:

THOU shalt love the Lord, Thy God, with all thy heart, with all thy soul, and with all thy might. And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thy heart. Thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt speak of them when thou sittest in thy house, when thou walkest by the way, when thou liest down, and when thou risest up. Bind them as a sign upon thy hand, and let them be as frontlets between thine eyes. Write them upon the doorposts of thy house and upon thy gates.

To the end that ye may remember and do all my commandments and be holy unto your God. I am the Lord your God.

Congregation:

He hath told thee, O man, what is good; what the Lord doth require of thee, but to do justly, to love mercy and to walk humbly with thy God. And thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. I am the Lord.

וּבָֽנוּ בָחַֽרְתָּ וְקֵֽרַבְתָּֽנוּ לְשִׁמְךָ הַגָּדוֹל סֶֽלָה בֶּאֱמֶת. לְהוֹדוֹת לְךָ וּלְיַֽחֶדְךָ בְּאַהֲבָה. בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ הַבּוֹחֵר בְּעַמּוֹ יִשְׂרָאֵל בְּאַהֲבָה:

(Congregation standing.)

Minister, then Choir and Congregation:

שְׁמַע יִשְׂרָאֵל יְהוָֹה אֱלֹהֵֽינוּ יְהוָֹה אֶחָד:

בָּרוּךְ שֵׁם כְּבוֹד מַלְכוּתוֹ לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד:

(Congregation sitting.)

Minister:

וְאָֽהַבְתָּ אֵת יְיָ אֱלֹהֶֽיךָ בְּכָל־לְבָבְךָ וּבְכָל־נַפְשְׁךָ וּבְכָל־מְאֹדֶֽךָ: וְהָיוּ הַדְּבָרִים הָאֵֽלֶּה אֲשֶׁר אָנֹכִי מְצַוְּךָ הַיּוֹם עַל־לְבָבֶֽךָ: וְשִׁנַּנְתָּם לְבָנֶֽיךָ וְדִבַּרְתָּ בָּם. בְּשִׁבְתְּךָ בְּבֵיתֶֽךָ וּבְלֶכְתְּךָ בַדֶּֽרֶךְ וּבְשָׁכְבְּךָ וּבְקוּמֶֽךָ: וּקְשַׁרְתָּם לְאוֹת עַל־יָדֶֽךָ. וְהָיוּ לְטֹטָפֹת בֵּין עֵינֶֽיךָ: וּכְתַבְתָּם עַל־מְזֻזוֹת בֵּיתֶֽךָ וּבִשְׁעָרֶֽיךָ:

לְמַֽעַן תִּזְכְּרוּ וַעֲשִׂיתֶם אֶת־כָּל־מִצְוֹתָי וִהְיִיתֶם קְדוֹשִׁים לֵאלֹהֵיכֶם: אֲנִי יְיָ אֱלֹהֵיכֶם:

Congregation:

הִגִּיד לְךָ אָדָם מַה־טּוֹב. וּמָה יְהוָֹה דּוֹרֵשׁ מִמְּךָ. כִּי אִם־עֲשׂוֹת מִשְׁפָּט וְאַֽהֲבַת חֶֽסֶד וְהַצְנֵֽעַ לֶֽכֶת עִם אֱלֹהֶֽיךָ: וְאָֽהַבְתָּ לְרֵֽעֲךָ כָּמֽוֹךָ. אֲנִי יְהוָֹה:

Responsive Reading or Chanting:

Minister.

TRUTH eternal and unchanging is Thy word which Thou hast spoken through Thy prophets.

Congregation.

Thou art the living God, Thy words bring life and light to the soul.

Thou art the strength of our life, the rock of our salvation; Thy kingdom and Thy truth abide for ever.

Thou hast been the help of our fathers in time of trouble; and art our refuge in all generations.

Thou humblest the proud and liftest up the lowly; Thou deliverest the contrite of heart when they call upon Thee.

Happy the man who hearkeneth to Thy commandments and layeth to heart the teachings of Thy word.

Thou art the first and the last, and besides Thee there is no redeemer and helper.

As Thou hast saved Israel from Egyptian bondage, so mayest Thou send Thy help to all who are oppressed.

May Thy love descend upon all Thy children, and Thy truth unite them in the bonds of fellowship.

May the righteous of all nations rejoice in Thy power and exult in Thy grace.

O God, who art our refuge and our hope, we glorify Thy name now, as did our fathers in ancient days.

Choir:

Who is like unto Thee, O God, among the mighty? Who can be compared unto Thee in holiness, in awe-inspiring power, in deeds of wonder?

The Lord will reign for ever and ever.

Minister:

O Rock of Israel, be pleased to redeem those that are oppressed, and deliver those that are persecuted. Praise be unto Thee, our redeemer, the holy One of Israel.

Congregation:—Amen.

PRAISE be to Thee, O Eternal, our God, God of our fathers Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the great, mighty and most high God. Thou bestowest loving-kindness upon all Thy creatures; Thou rememberest the goodness of the fathers, and Thou sendest redemption to their descendants for the sake of Thy name. Thou art our help, our redeemer and protector. Praise be to Thee, O God, shield of Abraham.

Thou art mighty, O Lord; Thine is the power to save. In Thy kindness Thou sustainest the living, upholdest the falling, healest the sick, and settest captives free. Thou wilt, of a surety, fulfil Thy promise of immortal life unto those who sleep in the dust. Who is like unto Thee, Almighty, author of life and death, source of salvation. Praise be to Thee, O God, who hast implanted within us immortal life.

קדושה

(Congregation standing.)

We hallow Thy name on earth, even as it is hallowed in heaven; and with the prophet say in humble adoration:

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of His glory.

Choir and Congregation:

קָדוֹשׁ קָדוֹשׁ קָדוֹשׁ יְיָ צְבָאוֹת. מְלֹא כָל־הָאָרֶץ כְּבוֹדוֹ:

Minister:

In all places of Thy dominion Thy name is praised and glorified.

Choir and Congregation:

בָּרוּךְ כְּבוֹד יְיָ מִמְּקוֹמוֹ:

Minister:

God will reign forever, thy God, O Zion, from generation to generation. Hallelujah!

Choir and Congregation:

יִמְלֹךְ יְיָ לְעוֹלָם אֱלֹהַיִךְ צִיּוֹן לְדֹר וָדֹר הַלְלוּיָהּ:

(Congregation sitting.)

Prayer:

O LORD, our God, Thou hast in Thy grace distinguished man from all other beings by endowing him with knowledge and understanding, that he may walk in Thy light and follow Thy precepts in his life. Teach us, O God, the knowledge of Thy ways, and enlighten our understanding by Thy truth. May Thy law be written on our hearts. May we cheerfully employ our best powers in Thy service.

Bless, O Lord, the work of our hands, the fruits of every toil, and may all Thy children be satisfied with Thy goodness. Imbue our hearts with love and compassion toward those who suffer want, and make us cheerful givers to the needy and distressed.

Grant, O Lord, that the sound of freedom be heard throughout all lands, and all nations enjoy the blessings of true liberty; let the reign of wickedness vanish like smoke and all dwellers on earth recognize Thee alone as their King, and all Thy children be united in a covenant of peace and love.

Remember, O God, in love the just and virtuous of all nations, and strengthen all who sincerely trust in Thee. Help us in our weakness, enlighten our darkness, and arm us against danger and temptation.

Hear, O Father, the voice of our supplication; receive graciously our prayers and the prayers of

all Thy children who come to seek Thee, and may we ever know how to serve Thee in truth. Praise be to Thee, O God, who acceptest in mercy the grateful worship of Thy children. Amen.

Silent Prayer:

BEFORE Thee, O my God, lie open the secrets of every heart. Thou understandest my thoughts afar off and art acquainted with all my ways. Thou knowest how grateful I am for the manifold mercies which Thou hast shown to me and to my loved ones. They are more than I can number, greater than I can measure, and better than I can understand. When it seemed good to Thee to try me with sorrows and to take from me what was so unspeakably dear to me, Thou didst not leave me comfortless. Thy power sustained me, and I have learned to trust in Thee and to believe truly that all Thy dispensations are meant for good and not evil. Help me, O Father, to preserve in my home the blessings of peace and of the sweet intercourse of souls united in the bonds of love. Let me always remember that I must not live to myself only, but to Thee and to my fellow-men, especially the poor and the distressed. Hear the prayers of those who worship with me in this house, who pour out their souls to Thee, and grant them the joy that comes to us whenever we commune with Thee. Let Thy light shine upon us and be gracious unto us, Thy children. Amen.

Minister:

WE render thanks to Thee, O our God, for our lives, which are in Thy hands, and for our souls, that are in Thy keeping; for the wonders of Thy providence which are manifested to us at all times. Guard our tongues from evil and our lips from speaking guile; may evil counsels not prevail against us and may we be always ready to forgive those who offend against us. May our nation be exalted through righteousness, and peace and quietude reign within our borders. Amen.

READING OF SCRIPTURE.

HYMN.

SERMON.

HYMN.

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Various Prayers.

I.

O THOU infinite One, who art in heaven and on earth, and near unto every heart, we worship Thee with all our mind and all our soul. We reverence Thee, who art the permanent in things that change, the foundation of what lasts; the wisdom and the justice that hold and bless this world of matter and of men. We remember before Thee our several wants and conditions of life, and we thank Thee for the happiness that crowns our days, for the success that attends our efforts in our various spheres of activity, for the brightness we gather in our homes, and the love wherein our hearts rejoice. But we remember also in our prayer the sorrows that stain our face with weeping, and fill our souls with sadness and distress. We thank Thee that we know Thine eye pities us in our sorrows; and that Thy chastenings are meant for good and not for evil. Help us to grow stronger and nobler by this world's changes, and to enlarge our spiritual being by the various events of our mortal life. May we see Thy hand in all that comes upon us, and may that faith endow us with the strength of patience and the comfort of hope. Amen.

II.

WE thank Thee, O Lord, for the nation within whose borders the lines of our lot have been

cast; we thank Thee for our fathers, men of mighty faith, lifting up valiant hands before Thee; and for the rights which they have left us for our heritage. We bless Thee for every good institution in our midst, for the unbounded opportunities we have to develop our mental and moral faculties, and to enjoy the inestimable blessing of the liberty of our souls. We thank Thee for the great ideas of our nature, and for the revelation and inspiration which Thou makest therein; for the knowledge of Thyself and Thine infinite perfection, for the duties which Thou hast imposed upon us and the voice that calls us to obedience and submission. May we strive to be useful in all works that tend towards the improvement of our social life, and the lifting up of the lowly, the ignorant and the wayward, and may our daily walk be so ordered that we may make it a perpetual service to Thee, who establishest the works of our hands for us. Amen.

III.

WE come into Thy presence, O Lord, our God, to commune with Thee, to lift up our souls above worldly cares and worldly interests. We come to seek light from Thy light, wisdom from Thy wisdom, and strength and comfort from our firm trust in Thy love, justice and mercy. When we fail because of our ignorance, teach us, O God, and guide our footsteps aright. When our weakness and infirmities master us and enslave us,

strengthen, Thou, O God, our will and our resolutions for the betterment of our lives. Give us purer hearts, nobler minds and grander characters. Teach us to emulate the great men whom Thou in every age sendest to us as examples of righteousness. Bless our nation with representative men of integrity. Let our country's leaders ever be imbued with the true spirit of loyalty to truth and virtue. May they ever recognize Thy providential hand guiding the destinies of nations.

Bless all men with a true understanding of Thy sacred law of right. Break down the barriers that separate men from one another. Let all fanaticism be eradicated. Let the scepter of liberty rule over the earth.

O, our Father, we ask Thee to lift the burden from the afflicted soul, dry the tears of the unfortunate, turn sorrow into happiness, weeping into smiling, mourning into rejoicing. Lift the clouds from their sad lives, and let the pure rays of heavenly bliss enter their souls. Let them sing because their cup of joy is filled; let them sound Thy praises in gladness and cheerfulness. Bless, O my soul, the Lord. Amen.

IV.

IN Thine all-encompassing love, O God, Thou revealest Thyself to us; Thy majesty and Thy power are everywhere made manifest. To our ancestors Thou didst give precepts of life; do Thou

also unto us extend Thy mercy by making us receptive of them. All-merciful Father, inspire our hearts with affection and earnest zeal for truth and knowledge, that we may lovingly cleave to the teachings of Thy law, understand and esteem, learn and teach them. Enlighten Thou our eyes in Thy law, confirm our hearts in Thy precepts, and let us unite with all our fellow-men in the love of Thee and the reverence of Thy name.

Forgive us if we fall into sin, and save us from every ill. Hold sickness and suffering far from us; and if Thou dost send them, grant us patience and humble submission to Thy will. Grant that the idols of vanity and superstition shall disappear from the earth; that the light of truth shall spread to every land and illumine every nation. Be with all those who labor for the good of their fellow-men, and may Thy gracious spirit ever guide and sustain them. Guard our tongues from evil, and our lips from speaking guile. Grant us calmness towards those who wish us evil, and humility towards all men; and may we never hesitate to forgive those who offend against us. May we shun all ways that are not good in Thy sight, and rejoice to do that which is in accordance with Thy will; so that we may indeed sanctify Thy name in the eyes of all men. Amen.

V.

INSCRUTABLE are Thy counsels, O God; Thy judgments are a great deep; who shall say unto Thee: What doest Thou? Shall the clay say to Him that fashioned it, What makest Thou? or the work say of the master: His hands are not fit? When it pleases Thee to put new burdens on the long-tried heart of Israel and sufferest again the scorner to say to him: Where now is thy God? we will not doubt that Thy doings are right and Thy purposes wisely ordained; yet our compassion constrains us to implore Thee to consider the sorrows of Thy servants. O Thou who hast the hearts of nations and rulers at Thy command, be pleased so to dispose them that they shall no longer trust in oppression, no longer misuse their power to the injury of the weak and the spoiling of the defenceless.

To our brethren still battling for their rights, grant that high courage that disdains unworthy weapons and refuses to meet wrong with wrong. Trusting in Thee and the justice of their cause, may they strive for such victories only as bless the conquered also, in that they cease from evil and learn to do well. May we who dwell in safety and are at peace help our oppressed brethren to the measure of our means and opportunities. May this our nation always glory in being a refuge to the oppressed of other lands, and seek the blessings of those that were ready to perish and earn the benedictions of the redeemed. Amen.

For the Anniversary of the Destruction of Jerusalem.

Meditation.

WE commemorate to-day the saddest event in Jewish history: the time when the glory departed from Judah, and Jerusalem was made desolate, when the enemy poured out his wrath upon the holy city, gave over the sanctuary of Zion a prey to the devouring flames. Twice was the crown and pride of Israel, the sacred spot on which patriarchs and prophets taught and where the Levites sang their holy hymns, a spoil to strangers. Bitter was the cup which Israel had to drink. He was driven from his home to lands whose people knew not love and had no compassion on the sufferer. Myriads fell by the enemy's sword or were cast to the wild beasts; but harder still was the fate of those who escaped, for they were sold as slaves and doomed to drag out a miserable existence. But all these hardships and trials were rendered all the harder as our ancestors were led to believe that they were inflicted on them as a punishment for sins their fathers had committed when they dwelt in the land of their inheritance.

And while they hoped and longed to return to their home and to see the temple restored as a sign of God's pardon and favor; alas, the night of the exile grew ever darker and the sufferings

and the persecutions increased. Ever louder became their wailing and lamentations and they cried: Why, O Lord, did Thou cast us off? Tears are our meat day and night, while our enemies continually say unto us: Where is thy God? How long, O God, how long? When will Thy anger cease and Thy tender mercies be shown again unto those who have not forgotten Thee?

But the house of Jacob was not cast off nor forsaken by the God whose name was called upon it. Like the thorn-bush on Sinai which burned, but was not consumed, because God's majesty was manifested in it, so was Israel preserved by the very fire that raged about him. It had pleased the Lord to make His servant the wonder of the nations, and a witness to His own imperishable truth; though a bruised reed, he was not broken. He was put to grief and numbered with the transgressors, yet he bore the sin of the nations, and out of his wounds flowed the balm of healing for mankind. A man of sorrows, smitten of God, despised and rejected of men, he was as a lamb brought to slaughter and would not open his mouth; yet his death did give life, the darkness of his imprisonment brought light to the Gentiles. The One temple in Jerusalem sank, but thousands of the sanctuaries of the God who once hallowed it, rose in its stead all over the globe where the same God was worshiped and the same truth proclaimed. Thus has the Lord comforted Israel and turned his sackcloth into garments of joy. Praise be to Him. Amen.

(Selection from the Book of Lamentations.)

HOW doth the city sit solitary that was full of people? How is she become as a widow; she that was great among the nations and princess among the provinces? The Lord is righteous, for I have rebelled against His commandment. This I will recall in my mind, therefore have I hope. It is of the Lord's mercies that we are not consumed because His compassions fail not. They are new every morning, great is Thy faithfulness.

The Lord is my portion, saith my soul, therefore will I hope in Him. The Lord is good unto them that wait for Him, to the soul that seeketh Him. It is good that a man should hope and quietly wait for the salvation of the Lord. For the Lord will not cast off forever. Though He cause grief, yet will He have compassion according to the multitude of His mercies. For He doth not afflict willingly, nor wantonly, nor grieve the children of men. Out of the mouth of the Most High proceedeth not evil unless it worketh for the good.

Choir:

For His anger endureth but a moment, in His favor is a life-time. Weeping may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning. O Lord, my God, I will give thanks unto Thee forever.

Prayers for Private Devotion.

Morning Prayers:

I.

O GOD and Father, Source of life and of blessing, unto Thee my heart is lifted up in adoration, unto Thee are my eyes directed in the opening hour of this new day. Thou sleepest not, Thou slumberest not, O Guardian of Israel. Thine eye has watched over me, Thy protecting hand has shielded me through the dangers of the night. Thy goodness, which is without end, has given me the refreshing quiet of sleep and has quickened me with the energy of new life. Thy love, which is new every morning, has granted me the joy of beholding once more the earth and its beauty, and seeing again the faces of my loved ones, gladdened with the blessings of health.

O, how should my soul fail to praise Thee, seeing all Thy bounties so freshly given? In the chorus of the thousands of Thy creatures, who lift up their grateful voices from the hour of dawn, let also the thanksgiving of my heart find a perfect accord.

Grant that this day, which I receive as a gift from Thee, shall not pass over me in vain. May it be dedicated to Thy glory, to the improvement of my soul, to the service of my fellow-men. Let this day not prove an empty page in the record of

my life. O help me to accomplish something worthy of Thy love, something that shall, in the sphere of my daily doings, further the wise and holy purposes for which Thou hast placed man on earth.

In humility let me walk before Thee, O God, my heart composed through reverence and love to trust steadfastly in the wisdom and goodness of Thine all-ruling will. Amen.

II.

ALMIGHTY God, Thou hast graciously permitted me to awake to the light of a new day. Let me not sink into the darkness of error and sin. Do not withdraw Thy hand from me; let Thy love be near me. Incline my heart unto Thee, that all my thoughts and words and deeds may make answer to the call of Thy will; that I may follow whither Thy word shall lead, and may ever do what is right and good in Thine eyes.

Grant me clear insight into the truth, steadfast apprehension of the right, that through the mazes of this world's errors and temptations I may walk unhindered and unfalteringly the pathway of godliness. Grant me strength to do Thy will. Lead Thou me by the hand as a father leadeth his child, lest I fall.

Satisfy me early through Thy mercy, that I may rejoice in Thee and give thanks unto Thee all the days of my life. Amen.

Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is One.	שְׁמַע יִשְׂרָאֵל יְהוָֹה אֱלֹהֵינוּ יְהוָֹה אֶחָד׃
Praised be His glorious name for ever and ever.	בָּרוּךְ שֵׁם כְּבוֹד מַלְכוּתוֹ לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד׃
Moses commanded us a law, the inheritance of the congregation of Jacob.	תּוֹרָה צִוָּה לָנוּ מֹשֶׁה מוֹרָשָׁה קְהִלַּת יַעֲקֹב׃

Night Prayers:

I.

UNTO Thee do I come in the calmness of this hour, when the earth is wrapped in the stillness of night, to speak Thy holy name, as the day passes into eternity. With grateful heart I give thanks unto Thee, O God, for all that this day has brought me, the treasures of joy, of earnest effort, of sweet affection, of uplifting hope, and the fulfilment of duty.

O God, how shall I acknowledge Thy goodness or give thanks to Thee for all that I owe Thee? Thou hast given me life, and surrounded me with all that makes life a blessing. Thou hast delivered me from many evils, and Thou continuest daily to shower Thy mercies upon me. What return can I make for all Thy benefits, and for the special favors of this day? Grant that

by my deeds I may bestow the praise which is agreeable in Thy sight, who art so bountiful to Thy servant. Strengthen me, O God, that I may love Thee with all my heart, with all my soul and with all my might, that I may love all my fellow-men as Thy children.

I forgive all who have injured me, and would ask pardon of all whom I have injured.

Guard, I beseech Thee, O God, this home, and keep from it all that is evil. Let Thy peace dwell therein, and may Thy blessing be upon us for ever. Amen.

Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is One.	שְׁמַע יִשְׂרָאֵל יְהוָה אֱלֹהֵינוּ יְהוָה אֶחָד׃
Praised be His glorious name for ever and ever.	בָּרוּךְ שֵׁם כְּבוֹד מַלְכוּתוֹ לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד׃
In Thy protection, O God, I put my trust. Unto Thee I commit my spirit and my body, both, when I sleep and when I wake; Thou art with me, I shall not fear. Amen.	לִישׁוּעָתְךָ קִוִּיתִי יְיָ׃ בְּיָדוֹ אַפְקִיד רוּחִי. בְּעֵת אִישַׁן וְאָעִירָה׃ וְעִם רוּחִי גְּוִיָּתִי. יְיָ לִי וְלֹא אִירָא׃

Sanctification of the Sabbath.

PRAISE be to Thee, O Lord our God, Ruler of the world, who createst the fruit of the vine.

Be praised, O Lord our God, who hast sanctified us through Thy commandments and in love hast given us the Sabbath, the most sacred of days, a memorial of the work of creation, and the liberation from Egypt. May we, by the celebration of the Sabbath, be sanctified unto Thy service, and become sharers in the blessing of Thy word. Be praised, O God, who sanctifiest the Sabbath. Amen.

Sanctification of the Festivals.

BE praised, O Lord our God, who hast sanctified us through Thy commandments, and in love hast given us Sabbaths of rest, seasons of joy, and festivals of gladness, even this Feast of

Passover, the memorial of Freedom;
Weeks, the memorial of Revelation;
Tabernacles, the memorial of Thy Providence;
Conclusion, the season of Joy;

to remind us that Thou art the Guardian of Israel, that Thou hast chosen us for Thy service, and hast made us sharers in the blessing of Thy holy festivals. Be praised, O God, Thou who sanctifiest Israel and the festivals, that Thou hast protected us to this day and hast let us live to welcome this season of sacred joy. Amen.

קידוש לשבת.

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם בּוֹרֵא פְּרִי הַגָּפֶן:

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם אֲשֶׁר קִדְּשָׁנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתָיו וְרָצָה בָנוּ. וְשַׁבַּת קָדְשׁוֹ בְּאַהֲבָה וּבְרָצוֹן הִנְחִילָנוּ. זִכָּרוֹן לְמַעֲשֵׂה בְרֵאשִׁית. כִּי הוּא יוֹם תְּחִלָּה לְמִקְרָאֵי־קֹדֶשׁ זֵכֶר לִיצִיאַת מִצְרָיִם. כִּי בָנוּ בָחַרְתָּ וְאוֹתָנוּ קִדַּשְׁתָּ. וְשַׁבַּת קָדְשְׁךָ בְּאַהֲבָה וּבְרָצוֹן הִנְחַלְתָּנוּ. בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ. מְקַדֵּשׁ הַשַּׁבָּת:

קידוש לשלש רגלים.

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם אֲשֶׁר בָּחַר־בָּנוּ וְקִדְּשָׁנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתָיו. וַתִּתֶּן־לָנוּ יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ בְּאַהֲבָה מוֹעֲדִים לְשִׂמְחָה חַגִּים וּזְמַנִּים לְשָׂשׂוֹן. אֶת יוֹם

(לפסח) חַג הַמַּצּוֹת הַזֶּה. זְמַן חֵרוּתֵנוּ.

(לשבעות) חַג הַשָּׁבֻעוֹת הַזֶּה. זְמַן מַתַּן תּוֹרָתֵנוּ.

(לסכות) חַג הַסֻּכּוֹת הַזֶּה. זְמַן שִׂמְחָתֵנוּ.

(לעצרת) הַשְּׁמִינִי חַג הָעֲצֶרֶת הַזֶּה. זְמַן שִׂמְחָתֵנוּ.

מִקְרָא־קֹדֶשׁ זֵכֶר לִיצִיאַת מִצְרָיִם. כִּי בָנוּ בָחַרְתָּ וְאוֹתָנוּ קִדַּשְׁתָּ. וּמוֹעֲדֵי קָדְשְׁךָ בְּשִׂמְחָה וּבְשָׂשׂוֹן הִנְחַלְתָּנוּ. בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ. מְקַדֵּשׁ יִשְׂרָאֵל וְהַזְּמַנִּים:

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם. שֶׁהֶחֱיָנוּ וְקִיְּמָנוּ וְהִגִּיעָנוּ לַזְּמַן הַזֶּה:

Grace before Meals.

Praise be to Thee, Lord our God, Ruler of the world, who causest the earth to bring forth food.

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם הַמּוֹצִיא לֶחֶם מִן הָאָרֶץ׃

Grace after Meals.

We give thanks to Thee, O Lord, our God, Ruler of the world, for Thy bountiful gifts we enjoyed at this table. In Thy great mercy Thou givest food to all Thy creatures. Thy kindness endureth for ever; and we put our trust in Thee, O Lord, that as Thou hast provided for us hitherto, Thou wilt provide for us throughout our lives. Unto Thee all creatures look for food, and Thou givest to each according to his need. We praise Thee, O God, who in bounty feedest the world. Amen.

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם· הַזָּן אֶת הָעוֹלָם כֻּלּוֹ בְּטוּבוֹ· בְּחֵן בְּחֶסֶד וּבְרַחֲמִים· הוּא נוֹתֵן לֶחֶם לְכָל בָּשָׂר· כִּי לְעוֹלָם חַסְדּוֹ׃ וּבְטוּבוֹ הַגָּדוֹל תָּמִיד לֹא חָסַר לָנוּ· וְאַל יֶחְסַר לָנוּ מָזוֹן לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד׃ כִּי הוּא זָן וּמְפַרְנֵס לַכֹּל וּמֵטִיב לַכֹּל וּמֵכִין מָזוֹן לְכָל־בְּרִיּוֹתָיו אֲשֶׁר בָּרָא· בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ הַזָּן אֶת הַכֹּל׃

Children's Prayers.

Morning Prayer:

I THANK Thee, O God, for Thy loving-kindness toward me. Thou hast watched over me while I was asleep, and Thou hast awakened me to life and usefulness. Be with me this day and ever more, that I may be a good and obedient child, deserve the love of my dear parents and teachers, and find favor in the sight of God and men.

Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is One.

Night Prayer:

BE praised, O God, Ruler of the world, whose love enfolds all Thy children when sleep closes their eyes. Be near me, I beseech Thee, this night, that I may lie down in peace, and rise again in health and strength. Forgive my sins and help me to do what is right. Guard this night against every danger my parents, my brothers and sisters and all who are dear to me; preserve us from harm and evil, and refresh us with sweet slumber.

Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is One.

שְׁמַע יִשְׂרָאֵל יְהוָֹה
אֱלֹהֵינוּ יְהוָֹה אֶחָד׃

Morning Prayer:

LORD and Father, I thank Thee for the sweet rest of the night and for Thy protection when danger surrounded me. Thou art my Shield, I will not fear, I trust in Thee. O lead me in Thy path, make Thy way plain to me that I may find no pleasure in wickedness, and no profit in evil. Incline my heart to hearken to the correction of my father and to listen to the instruction of my mother. Make me eager to do Thy will. Help me to be faithful in the performance of all my duties, even the slightest ones; and establish Thou the work of my hands, that Thy beauty may be upon me. Amen.

Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is One.

שְׁמַע יִשְׂרָאֵל יְיָ
אֱלֹהֵינוּ יְיָ אֶחָד׃

Night Prayer:

FATHER, I thank Thee for the joys and blessings of this day. Thou art my Shepherd, I shall not want. Thou sleepest not and slumberest not; I fear no evil, for Thou art with me. I set Thee always before me and am afraid of no terror by night and no danger by day. O teach me Thy ways and help me to make Thy will my will, that in peace I may lay me down and sleep the sleep of the righteous. Bless this home and all who are bound to me by ties of love and friendship.

In Thy help I trust, O Lord. Amen.

לִישׁוּעָתְךָ קִוִּיתִי יְיָ׃

Selections from the Scriptures.

(Reading from the Torah and the Haphtarah.)

Selections from the Scriptures.

I.

(From Genesis i.)

IN the beginning God created the heaven and the earth. And the earth was waste and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep: and the spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters. And God said, Let there be light: and there was light. And God saw the light, that it was good: and God divided the light from the darkness. And God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, one day.

And God said, Let there be a firmament in the midst of the waters, and let it divide the waters from the waters. And God made the firmament, and divided the waters which were under the firmament from the waters which were above the firmament: and it was so. And God called the firmament Heaven. And there was evening and there was morning, a second day.

And God said, Let the waters under the heaven be gathered together unto one place, and let the dry land appear: and it was so. And God called the dry land Earth; and the gathering together of the waters He called Seas: and God saw that it was good. And God said, Let the earth put forth grass, herb yielding seed, and fruit tree bearing fruit after its kind, wherein is the seed thereof, upon the earth:

and it was so. And the earth brought forth grass, and herb yielding seed after its kind, and the tree yielding fruit, whose seed was in itself, after its kind: and God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, a third day.

(From Isaiah xl.)

WHO hath measured the waters in the hollow of His hand, and meted out heaven with the span, and comprehended the dust of the earth in a measure, and weighed the mountains in scales, and the hills in a balance? Who hath directed the spirit of the Lord, or, being His counsellor, hath taught Him? With whom took He counsel, and who instructed Him, and taught Him in the path of judgment, and taught Him knowledge, and shewed to Him the way of understanding? Behold, the nations are as a drop of a bucket, and are counted as the small dust of the balance: behold, He taketh up the isles as a very little thing. And Lebanon is not sufficient to burn, nor the beasts thereof sufficient for a burnt-offering. All the nations are as nothing before Him; they are counted to Him less than nothing and vanity. To whom then will ye liken God? or what likeness will ye compare unto Him? Have ye not known? have ye not heard? hath it not been told you from the beginning? have ye not understood from the foundations of the earth? It is He that sitteth upon the circle of the earth, and the inhabitants thereof are as grasshoppers; that stretch-

eth out the heavens as a curtain, and spreadeth them out as a tent to dwell in: that bringeth princes to nothing; He maketh the judges of the earth as vanity. Lift up your eyes on high and see who hath created these, that bringeth out their host by number: He calleth them all by name; by the greatness of His might, and for that He is strong in power, not one faileth.

II.

(From Genesis i.)

AND God said, Let there be lights in the firmament of the heaven to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs, and for seasons, and for days, and years: And let them be for lights in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth: and it was so. And God made two great lights; the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night: He made the stars also. And God set them in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth, and to rule over the day and over the night, and to divide the light from the darkness: and God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, a fourth day.

And God said, Let the waters bring forth abundantly the moving creature that hath life, and let fowl fly above the earth in the open firmament of heaven. And God created the great sea-monsters, and every living creature that moveth, which the waters brought forth abundantly, after their kinds, and every winged

fowl after its kind: and God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, a fifth day.

And God said, Let the earth bring forth the living creature after its kind, cattle, and creeping thing, and beast of the earth after its kind: and it was so. And God saw that it was good. And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let him have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth. And God created man in His own image, in the image of God created He him. And God saw everything that He had made, and behold, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

(From Isaiah lx.)

THE words of Isaiah unto Israel: Arise, shine, for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee. For, behold, darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the peoples: but the Lord shall arise upon thee, and His glory shall be seen upon thee. And nations shall come to thy light, and kings to the brightness of thy rising. And thou shalt know that I, the Lord, am thy savior, and thy redeemer, the Mighty One of Jacob. For brass I will bring gold, and for iron I will bring silver, and for wood brass, and for stones iron: I will also make thy officers peace, and thine exactors righteousness.

Violence shall no more be heard in thy land, desolation nor destruction within thy borders; but thou shalt call thy walls Salvation, and thy gates Praise. The sun shall be no more thy light by day; neither for brightness shall the moon give light unto thee: but the Lord shall be unto thee an everlasting light and thy God thy glory. Thy sun shall no more go down, neither shall thy moon withdraw itself: for the Lord shall be thine everlasting light, and the days of thy mourning shall be ended. Thy people also shall be all righteous, they shall inherit the land for ever; the branch of my planting, the work of my hands, that I may be glorified.

III.

(From Genesis iv.)

AND Eve bore Cain and his brother Abel. And Abel was a keeper of sheep, but Cain was a tiller of the ground. And in process of time Cain brought of the fruit of the ground an offering unto the Lord. And Abel, he also brought of the firstlings of his flock and of the fat thereof. And the Lord had respect unto Abel and to his offering: but unto Cain and to his offering he had not respect. And Cain was very wroth, and his countenance fell. And the Lord said unto Cain, Why art thou wroth? and why is thy countenance fallen? If thou doest well, shalt thou not be accepted? and if thou doest not well, sin coucheth at the door: unto thee shall be its desire, and thou shalt rule over it. And Cain

upbraided Abel his brother. When they were in the field, Cain rose up against Abel his brother, and slew him. And the Lord said unto Cain, Where is Abel thy brother? And he said, I know not: am I my brother's keeper? And He said, What hast thou done? the voice of thy brother's blood crieth unto me from the ground. And now cursed art thou from the ground, which hath opened her mouth to receive thy brother's blood from thy hand; when thou tillest the ground, it shall not henceforth yield unto thee her strength; a fugitive and a wanderer shalt thou be in the earth. And Cain said unto the Lord, My punishment is greater than I can bear. Behold, Thou hast driven me out this day from the face of the ground; and from Thy face shall I be hid; and I shall be a fugitive and a wanderer in the earth; and it shall come to pass, that whosoever findeth me shall slay me. And the Lord said unto him, Verily, whosoever slayeth Cain, vengeance shall be taken on him sevenfold. And the Lord appointed a sign for Cain, lest any finding him should smite him.

(From Proverbs.)

MY son, despise not the chastenings of the Lord, neither be weary of His corrections; for whom God loveth, He correcteth even as a father the son in whom he delighteth. The foolishness of man perverteth his way and afterwards he fretteth against the Lord. The sacrifice of the wicked is an abomination of the Lord, but the prayer of the upright is His

delight. To do justice and judgment is more acceptable unto the Lord than sacrifice. All the ways of man seem pure in his own sight, but the Lord weigheth the spirit. The refining pot is for silver and the furnace for gold, but the Lord trieth the heart. Wrath is cruel and anger is outrageous; and who is able to stand before envy? He that is slow to wrath is of great understanding, but he that is hasty of spirit exalteth folly. By mercy and truth iniquity is atoned for and by the fear of the Lord and departing from evil. He that turneth away his ear from hearing the law, even his prayer is an abomination. He that hideth his sin shall not prosper, but whoso confesseth and forsaketh it shall obtain mercy. Let not mercy and truth forsake thee; bind them about thy neck, write them upon the tablets of thy heart, so shalt thou find favor and acceptance in the eyes of God and man. He that hath no power over his own heart is like a city with broken walls.

IV.

(From Genesis viii.)

AND God remembered Noah, and every living thing, and all the cattle that were with him in the ark: and God made a wind to pass over the earth, and the waters assuaged; the fountains also of the deep and the windows of heaven were stopped, and the rain from heaven was restrained; and the waters returned from off the earth continually: and after the end of an hundred and fifty days the waters

decreased. The ark rested in the seventh month, on the seventeenth day of the month, upon the mountains of Ararat. At the end of forty days, Noah opened the window of the ark which he had made: and he sent forth a raven, and it went forth to and fro, until the waters were dried up from off the earth. And he sent forth a dove from him, to see if the waters were abated from off the face of the ground; but the dove found no rest for her foot, and she returned unto him to the ark, for the waters were on the face of the whole earth: and he put forth his hand, and took her, and brought her in unto him into the ark. And he stayed yet other seven days; and again he sent forth the dove out of the ark; and the dove came in to him at eventide; and, lo, in her mouth an olive leaf plucked off: so Noah knew that the waters were abated from off the earth. And he stayed yet other seven days; and sent forth the dove; and she returned not again unto him any more. And Noah removed the covering of the ark, and looked, and, behold, the face of the ground was dried. And Noah builded an altar unto the Lord; and took of every clean beast, and of every clean fowl, and offered burnt-offerings on the altar. And the Lord smelled a sweet savor; and the Lord said in his heart, I will not again curse the ground any more for man's sake; for the imagination of man's heart is evil from his youth: neither will I again smite any more every thing living, as I have done. While the earth remaineth, seed-time and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease.

(From Isaiah xliv.)

FEAR not, O Israel, for thou shalt not be ashamed: neither be thou confounded; for thou shalt not be put to shame: for the Holy One of Israel is thy redeemer; the God of the whole earth is He called. For a small moment have I forsaken thee; but with great mercies will I gather thee. In overflowing wrath I hid my face from thee for a moment; but with everlasting kindness will I have mercy on thee, saith the Lord, thy redeemer. For this is as the waters of Noah unto me: as I have sworn that the waters of Noah should no more go over the earth, so have I sworn that I would not be wroth with thee, nor rebuke thee. For the mountains shall depart, and the hills be removed; but my kindness shall not depart from thee, neither shall my covenant of peace be removed, saith the Lord that hath mercy on thee.

O thou afflicted, tossed with tempest and not comforted, behold, I will set thy stones in fair colors, and lay thy foundations with sapphires. And I will make thy pinnacles of rubies, and thy gates of carbuncles, and all thy border of pleasant stones. And all thy children shall be taught of the Lord; and great shall be the peace of thy children. In righteousness shalt thou be established: thou shalt be far from oppression and from terror, for it shall not come near thee. No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper; and every tongue that shall rise against thee in judgment thou shalt condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the Lord, and their recompense which is of me, saith the Lord.

V.

(From Genesis xi and xii.)

AND Terah took Abram his son, and Lot, the son of Haran, his son's son, and Sarai his daughter-in-law, his son Abram's wife; and they went forth with them from Ur of the Chaldees, to go into the land of Canaan; and they came unto Haran, and dwelt there. And Terah died in Haran.

Now the Lord said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto the land that I will shew thee: and I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and be thou a blessing: and I will bless those that bless thee, and him that curseth thee will I curse: and in thee shall all the families of the earth be blessed. So Abram went, as the Lord had spoken unto him; and Lot went with him: and Abram was seventy and five years old when he departed out of Haran. And Abram took Sarai his wife, and Lot his brother's son, and all their substance that they had gathered, and the souls that they had gotten in Haran; and they went forth to go into the land of Canaan; and into the land of Canaan they came. And Abram passed through the land unto the place of Shechem, unto the oak of Moreh. And the Canaanite was then in the land. And the Lord appeared unto Abram, and said, Unto thy children will I give this land: and there builded he an altar unto the Lord, who appeared unto him.

(From Isaiah li.)

HEARKEN to me, saith the Lord, ye that follow after righteousness, ye that seek the Lord: look unto the rock whence ye were hewn, look unto Abraham your father, and unto Sarah that bore you: for when he was but one I called him, and I blessed him, and I made him many. So the Lord hath comforted Zion: He hath comforted all her waste places, and hath made her wilderness like Eden, and her desert like the garden of the Lord; joy and gladness shall be found therein, thanksgiving and the voice of melody.

Attend unto me, O my people; and give ear unto me, O my nation: for a law shall go forth from me, and I will make my judgment to rest for a light of the peoples. My righteousness is near, my salvation is gone forth, and mine arms shall judge the peoples; the isles shall wait for me, and on mine arm shall they trust. Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look upon the earth beneath: for the heavens shall vanish away like smoke, and the earth shall wax old like a garment, and they that dwell therein shall die in like manner: but my redemption shall be for ever, and my righteousness shall not be abolished. Hearken unto me, ye that know righteousness, the people in whose heart is my law; fear ye not the reproach of men, neither be ye dismayed at their revilings. For the moth shall eat them up like a garment, and the worm shall eat them like wool: but my righteousness shall be for ever, and my help unto all generations.

And the ransomed of the Lord shall return, and come with singing unto Zion; and everlasting joy shall be upon their heads: they shall obtain gladness and joy, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

VI.

(From Genesis xiii.)

AND Abram went up out of Egypt, he, and his wife, and all that he had, and Lot with him, into the South. Abram was very rich in cattle, in silver, and in gold. And he went on his journeys from the South even to Bethel, unto the place where his tent had been at the beginning, between Bethel and Ai; unto the place of the altar, which he had made there at the first: and there Abram called on the name of the Lord. And Lot also, who went with Abram, had flocks, and herds, and tents. And the land was not able to bear them, that they might dwell together: for their substance was great, so that they could not dwell together. And there was a strife between the herdmen of Abram's cattle and the herdmen of Lot's cattle: and the Canaanite and the Perizzite dwelled then in the land. And Abram said unto Lot, Let there be no strife, I pray thee, between me and thee, and between my herdmen and thy herdmen; for we are brethren. Is not the whole land before thee? separate thyself, I pray thee, from me: if thou wilt take the left hand, then I will go to the right; or if thou take the right hand, then I will

go to the left. And Lot lifted up his eyes, and beheld all the Plain of Jordan, that it was well watered every where, before the Lord destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah, like the garden of the Lord, like the land of Egypt, as thou goest unto Zoar. So Lot chose him all the Plain of Jordan; and they separated themselves the one from the other. Abram dwelled in the land of Canaan, and Lot dwelled in the cities of the Plain, and moved his tent as far as Sodom. Now the men of Sodom were wicked and sinners against the Lord exceedingly. And the Lord said unto Abram, after that Lot was separated from him, Lift up now thine eyes, and look from the place where thou art, northward and southward and eastward and westward: for all the land which thou seest, to thee will I give it, and to thy children for ever.

(From Proverbs.)

HE that is greedy of gain troubleth his own house; the blessing of the Lord, it maketh rich and no sorrow is added therewith. The curse of God is in the house of the wicked, but He blesseth the habitation of the lowly. Better is a meal of herbs where love is, than a stalled ox and hatred therewith. Though the righteous man fall seven times, he will rise again; the memory of the just for blessing.

Better is an open rebuke than a love that is hidden. Faithful are the wounds of a friend, but the kisses of an enemy are treacherous. Deceit is in

the heart of those that imagine evil, but to the counsellors of peace there is joy. Treasures of wickedness profit nothing; but righteousness delivereth from death. A froward man soweth strife and a whisperer separateth chief friends. The beginning of strife is as when one letteth out floods of water; therefore leave off contention before it be meddled with. It is an honor for a man to cease from strife.

VII.

(From Genesis xiv.)

THERE went out the kings of Sodom, of Gomorrah, of Admah, of Zeboiim, and of Bela; and they set the battle in array against the kings of Elam, of Goiim, of Shinar, and of Ellasar. Now the vale of Siddim was full of slime pits; and the kings of Sodom and Gomorrah fled, and they fell there, and they that remained fled to the mountain. And all the goods of Sodom and Gomorrah, and all their victuals were taken from them, and Lot, Abram's brother's son, who dwelt in Sodom, and his goods. Now there came one that had escaped, and told Abram. And when Abram heard that his brother's son was taken captive, he led forth his trained men, born in his house, three hundred and eighteen, and pursued as far as Dan. And he divided himself against them by night, he and his servants, and smote them, and pursued them. And he brought back all the goods, and also Lot, and his goods, and the women also, and the people. And Melchizedek,

king of Salem, brought forth bread and wine: and he was priest of God Most High. And he blessed him, and said, Blessed be Abram of God Most High, possessor of heaven and earth: and blessed be God Most High, who hath delivered thine enemies into thy hand. And he gave him a tenth of all. And the king of Sodom said unto Abram, Give me the persons, and take the goods to thyself. But Abram said to the king of Sodom: I have lift up my hand unto the Lord, God Most High, possessor of heaven and earth, that I will not take a thread nor a shoe-latchet nor aught that is thine, lest thou shouldst say, I have made Abram rich: save only that which the young men have eaten and the portion of the men that went with me, Aner, Eshcol and Mamre, let them take their portion.

(From Proverbs.)

WITHHOLD not good from him who stands in need thereof, when it is in the power of thy hand to do it; say not: go and come again and to-morrow I will give thee, when thou hast it now by thee. The man of a bountiful eye is blessed, for he giveth of his bread to the poor. Whoso stoppeth his ear to the cry of the poor, he also shall cry, but shall not be heard. Rob not the poor because he is poor, neither crush the afflicted, for the Lord will plead their cause and punish those that despoil them. Whoso oppresseth the poor reproaches his Maker; but he that hath mercy on the needy honor-

eth Him. The righteous regardeth the life of his beast, but the wicked man is cruel and without compassion. Remove not an ancient landmark and enter not the field of the fatherless to take it from them; their protector is strong and He shall plead their cause against thee. The merciful man doeth good to his own soul, but he that is cruel troubleth his own flesh. There is that scattereth and increaseth yet more and there is that withholdeth, but it leadeth only to want.

VIII.

(From Genesis xviii.)

AND the Lord said, Shall I hide from Abraham that which I do: seeing that Abraham shall surely become a great and mighty nation, and all the nations of the earth shall be blessed in him? For I have known him that he will command his children and his household after him, that they may keep the way of the Lord, to do justice and judgment: that the Lord may bring upon Abraham that which he hath spoken of him. And the Lord said, The cry against Sodom and Gomorrah is great, and their sin is very grievous; I will go down now and see whether they have done altogether according to the cry of it, which is come unto me; and if not, I will know. And Abraham drew near, and said, Wilt Thou consume the righteous with the wicked? Peradventure there be fifty righteous within the city: wilt Thou consume and not spare the place for the

fifty righteous that are therein? That be far from Thee to do after this manner, to slay the righteous with the wicked, that so the righteous should be as the wicked; that be far from Thee: shall not the Judge of all the earth do right? And the Lord said: If I find fifty righteous within the city, then I will spare all the place for their sake. Abraham answered, Behold now, I have taken upon me to speak unto the Lord, I who am but dust and ashes: peradventure there shall lack five of the fifty righteous: wilt Thou destroy all the city for lack of five? And He said, I will not destroy it, if I find there forty and five. And he spoke unto Him yet again, and said, Peradventure there shall be forty found there. And He said, I will not do it for the forty's sake. And he said, Oh, let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak: Peradventure there shall thirty be found there. And He said, I will not do it, if I find thirty there. And he said, Behold now, I have taken upon me to speak unto the Lord: peradventure there shall be twenty found there. And he said, I will not destroy it for the twenty's sake; And he said, Oh, let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak yet but this once: peradventure ten shall be found there. And He said, I will not destroy it for the ten's sake.

(From Ezekiel xviii.)

THE word of the Lord came unto me again, saying, What mean ye, that ye use this proverb concerning the land of Israel, saying, The fathers have

eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge? As I live, saith the Lord God, ye shall not have occasion any more to use this proverb in Israel. Behold, all souls are mine; as the soul of the father, so also the soul of the son is mine: the soul that sinneth, it shall die. If a man be just, and do that which is lawful and right, and hath not wronged any, but hath restored to the debtor his pledge, hath spoiled none by violence, hath given his bread to the hungry, and hath covered the naked with a garment; he that hath not given forth upon usury, neither hath taken any increase, that hath withdrawn his hand from iniquity, hath executed true judgment between man and man, hath walked in my statutes, and hath kept my judgments, to deal truly; he is just, he shall surely live, saith the Lord God. Cast away from you all your transgressions, whereby ye have transgressed; and make you a new heart and a new spirit: for why will ye die, O house of Israel? For I have no pleasure in the death of the sinner: but that he return and live, saith the Lord God; therefore turn yourselves and live ye.

IX.

(From Genesis xxi.)

NOW Sarah saw the son of Hagar the Egyptian, whom she had borne unto Abraham, mocking. Wherefore she said unto Abraham, Cast out this bondwoman and her son: for the son of this bondwoman shall not be heir with my son, even with

Isaac. And the thing was very grievous in Abraham's sight on account of his son. And God said unto Abraham, Let it not be grievous in thy sight because of the lad, and because of thy bondwoman; in all that Sarah saith unto thee, hearken unto her voice; for in Isaac shall thy seed be called. And also of the son of the bondwoman will I make a nation, because he is thy offspring. Abraham rose up early in the morning, and took bread and a bottle of water, and gave it unto Hagar, putting it on her shoulder, and the child, and sent her away: and she departed, and wandered in the wilderness of Beer-sheba. And the water in the bottle was spent, and she cast her child under one of the shrubs. And she went and sat her down over against him a good way off, as it were a bowshot: for she said, Let me not look upon the death of the child. And she sat over against him, and lift up her voice and wept. And God heard the voice of the lad; and the angel of God called to Hagar out of heaven, and said unto her, What aileth thee, Hagar? fear not; for God hath heard the voice of the lad where he is. Arise, lift up the lad, and hold him in thine hand; for I will make him a great nation. And God opened her eyes, and she saw a well of water; and she went and filled the bottle with water, and gave the lad drink. And God was with the lad, and he grew; and he dwelt in the wilderness, and became an archer. And he dwelt in the wilderness of Paran: and his mother took him a wife out of the land of Egypt.

(From Isaiah xlix.)

THUS saith the Lord to His people, In an acceptable time have I heard thee; and in a day of salvation have I helped thee: and I will preserve thee, and give thee for a covenant of the peoples to establish the earth, to cause the desolate heritages to be restored. That thou mayest say to the prisoners, Go forth; to those that are in darkness, Shew yourselves. They shall not hunger nor thirst; neither shall the heat nor sun smite them; for He that hath mercy on them shall lead them, even by the springs of water shall He guide them. Sing, O heavens; and be joyful, O earth; and break forth into singing, O mountains: for the Lord hath comforted His people, and will have mercy upon His afflicted. But Zion said, The Lord hath forsaken me, and my Lord hath forgotten me. Can a woman forget her sucking child, that she should not have compassion on the son of her womb? yea, they may forget, yet will I not forget thee.

And in that day thou shalt say, O Lord, I will praise Thee: though Thou wast angry with me, Thine anger is turned away, and Thou comfortedst me. Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust, and not be afraid: for the Lord is my strength and my song; He also is become my salvation. Therefore with joy shall ye draw water out of the wells of salvation. And in that day shall ye say, Praise the Lord, call upon His name, declare His doings among the people, make mention that His name is exalted. Sing

unto the Lord; for He hath done excellent things: this is known in all the earth.

X.

(From Genesis xxii.)

AND God proved Abraham, and said unto him, Abraham; and he said, Here am I. And he said, Take now thy son, thine only son, whom thou lovest, even Isaac, and get thee into the land of Moriah; and offer him there for a burnt offering upon one of the mountains which I will tell thee of. Abraham rose early in the morning, and saddled his ass, and took two of his young men with him, and Isaac his son; and he clave the wood for the burnt offering, and rose up, and went unto the place of which God had told him. On the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes, and saw the place afar off. And Abraham said unto his young men, Abide ye here with the ass, and I and the lad will go yonder; and we will worship and come again to you. And Abraham took the wood for the burnt offering, and laid it upon Isaac his son; and he took in his hand the fire and the knife; and they went both of them together. And Isaac spoke unto Abraham his father, and said, My father: and he said, Here am I, my son. And he said, Behold the fire and the wood: but where is the lamb for a burnt offering? And Abraham said, God will provide Himself the lamb for a burnt offering, my son: so they went both of them together. And they came to the place which

God had told him of; and Abraham built the altar there, and laid the wood in order, and bound Isaac his son, and laid him on the altar, upon the wood. And Abraham stretched forth his hand, and took the knife to slay his son. But the angel of the Lord called unto him out of heaven, and said, Abraham, Abraham: and he said, Here am I. And he said, Lay not thine hand upon the lad, neither do thou any thing unto him: for now I know that thou fearest God, seeing thou hast not withheld thy son, thine only son, from me. Abraham lifted up his eyes, and looked, and behold, behind him a ram caught in the thicket by his horns: and Abraham went and took the ram, and offered him up for a burnt offering in the stead of his son.

(From Job ii.)

JOB was smitten with sore boils from the sole of his foot unto his crown. And he took him a potsherd to scrape himself withal; and he sat among the ashes. Then said his wife unto him, Dost thou still hold fast thine integrity? renounce God, and die. But he said unto her, Thou speakest as one of the foolish women speaketh. What? shall we receive good at the hand of God, and shall we not receive evil? In all this Job did not sin with his lips. Now when Job's three friends heard of all this evil that was come upon him, they came every one from his own place; Eliphaz the Temanite, and Bildad the Shuhite, and Zophar the Naamathite: and

they made an appointment together to come to bemoan him and to comfort him. And when they lifted up their eyes afar off, and knew him not, they lifted up their voice, and wept; and they rent every one his mantle, and sprinkled dust upon their heads toward heaven. So they sat down with him upon the ground seven days and seven nights, and none spake a word unto him: for they saw that his grief was very great.

XI.

(From Genesis xxiii.)

NOW Sarah died in Kiriath-arba (the same is Hebron), in the land of Canaan: and Abraham came to mourn for Sarah, and to weep for her. And he rose up from before his dead, and spoke unto the children of Heth, saying, I am a stranger and a sojourner with you: give me a possession of a burying-place with you, that I may bury my dead from before me. And the children of Heth answered Abraham, Hear us, my lord: thou art a mighty prince among us: in the choice of our sepulchres bury thy dead; none of us shall withhold from thee his sepulchre. And Abraham rose up and bowed himself to the people of the land. And he communed with them, saying, If it be your mind that I should bury my dead from before me, hear me, and entreat for me to Ephron the son of Zohar, that he may give me the cave of Machpelah, which he hath, which is in the end

of his field; for the full price let him give it to me in the midst of you for a possession of a burying-place. Now Ephron was sitting in the midst of the children of Heth, and he answered Abraham, Nay, my lord, hear me: the field and the cave that is therein, I give thee; in the presence of the sons of my people I give it thee: bury thy dead. And Abraham bowed himself down before the people of the land. And he spoke unto Ephron, But if thou wilt, I pray thee, hear me: I will give the price of the field; take it of me, and I will bury my dead there. And Ephron answered Abraham, My lord, hearken unto me: a piece of land worth four hundred shekels of silver, what is that betwixt me and thee? bury therefore thy dead. And Abraham hearkened unto Ephron; and weighed to Ephron the silver, which he had named in the presence of the children of Heth, and after this Abraham buried Sarah, his wife, in the cave of Machpelah before Mamre, the same is Hebron in Canaan.

(From Ecclesiastes.)

GO thy way, eat thy bread with joy, and drink thy wine with a merry heart: for God hath already accepted thy works. Live joyfully with the wife whom thou lovest all the days of the life which He hath given thee under the sun, for that is thy portion in life, and in thy labor wherein thou laborest. Whatsoever thy hand findeth to

do, do it with thy might; for there is no work, nor device, nor knowledge, nor wisdom, in the grave, whither thou goest. I returned, and saw under the sun, that the race is not to the swift, nor the battle to the strong, neither yet bread to the wise, nor yet riches to men of understanding, nor yet favor to men of skill; but time and chance happeneth to them all.

The words of the wise spoken in quiet are heard more than the cry of him that ruleth among fools; Wisdom is better than weapons of war: but one sinner destroyeth much good.

Rejoice, O young man, in thy youth; and let thy heart cheer thee in the days of thy youth, and walk in the ways of thy heart, and in the sight of thine eyes: but know thou, that for all these things God will bring thee into judgment. Therefore remove sorrow from thy heart, and put away evil from thy flesh: for childhood and youth pass swiftly.

XII.

(From Genesis xxiv.)

ABRAHAM was old, well stricken in age: and the Lord had blessed him in all things. And he said to his eldest servant that ruled over all that he had, I will make thee swear by the Lord, the God of heaven and earth, that thou shalt not take a wife to my son of the daughters of the Canaanites, among whom I dwell: but shalt go to

my country, and my kindred, and take a wife to my son Isaac. The servant swore concerning that matter, and he took ten camels of his master, and went to Mesopotamia, to the city of Nahor. And he made his camels to kneel down without the city by a well of water at the time of the evening, when the women go out to draw water. And he prayed, O Lord God, send me good speed this day, and shew kindness to my master Abraham. Let it be that the damsel to whom I shall say, Let down thy pitcher that I may drink; and she shall say, Drink, and I will give thy camels drink also: let the same be she that Thou hast appointed for Thy servant Isaac. Before he had done speaking, Rebekah came out with her pitcher upon her shoulder. The damsel was very fair to look upon: she went down to the well, filled her pitcher, and came up. And the servant ran to meet her, and said, Let me, I pray thee, drink a little water of thy pitcher. She said, Drink, my lord: and she hasted, and let down her pitcher upon her hand, and gave him drink. When she had done this she said, I will draw water for thy camels also. She hasted, and emptied her pitcher into the trough, and ran again to the well to draw water, for all his camels. The man wondering at her held his peace, to wit whether the Lord had made his journey prosperous or not; and he said, Whose daughter art thou? Is there room in thy father's house for us to lodge in? She said, I am the daughter of Bethuel, the son of Milcah. We have both straw and provender enough, and room

to lodge in. And the man bowed down his head and said, Blessed be the Lord God who hath not left destitute my master of His mercy and His truth: the Lord led me to the house of my master's brethren. And the damsel ran, and told in her mother's house these things.

(From Ruth.)

IN the days when the judges judged, there was a famine in the land. And Elimelech and his wife Naomi, and his two sons, Mahlon and Chilion, went to sojourn in Moab. And Elimelech, Naomi's husband died; and she was left, and her two sons. And they took them wives of the women of Moab; the name of the one was Orpah, and the name of the other Ruth: and they dwelled there about ten years. And Mahlon and Chilion died both of them; and the woman was left of her two children and of her husband. Then she arose with her daughters-in-law, that she might return from the country of Moab: for she had heard how that the Lord had visited his people in giving them bread. And she went forth, and her two daughters-in-law with her, to return unto the land of Judah. And Naomi said unto her two daughters-in-law, Go, return each of you to her mother's house: the Lord deal kindly with you, as ye have dealt with the dead, and with me. The Lord grant you that ye may find rest, each of you in the house of her husband. Then she kissed them; and they lifted up their voice, and wept. And they said unto her, Nay, but we will

return with thee unto thy people. And Naomi said, Turn again, my daughters: why will ye go with me? nay, my daughters; for it grieveth me much for your sakes, for the hand of the Lord is gone forth against me. And they lifted up their voice, and wept again: and Orpah kissed her mother-in-law; but Ruth clave unto her. And she said: Intreat me not to leave thee, and to return from following after thee: for whither thou goest, I will go; and where thou lodgest, I will lodge: thy people shall be my people, and thy God my God: where thou diest, will I die, and there will I be buried: the Lord do so to me, and more also, if aught but death part thee and me. And when she saw that she was steadfastly minded to go with her, she left speaking unto her.

XIII.

(From Genesis xxiv.)

REBEKAH had a brother Laban; when he heard the words of Rebekah, he came to the man who stood by the camels at the well, and said, Come in, thou blessed of the Lord: wherefore standest thou without? I have prepared the house, and room for the camels. The man came into the house and there was set meat before him to eat; but he said: I will not eat until I have told my errand. And Laban said: Speak on, and when he told it, he said: Now if ye will deal kindly with my master, tell me: if not, tell me also, that I may turn to the right hand or to the left. Then Laban and Bethuel an-

swered, The thing proceedeth from the Lord: we cannot speak to thee bad or good. Behold, Rebekah is before thee; take her, and go, and let her be thy master's son's wife, as the Lord hath ordained. When Abraham's servant heard their words, he thanked God, bowing himself to the earth. And they did eat and drink, he and the men with him, and tarried all night; in the morning he said, Send me away to my master. But her mother and her brother said, Let the damsel abide with us a few days; after that she shall go. He said, Hinder me not, seeing the Lord hath prospered my way. They said, We will call the damsel, and inquire at her mouth; they called Rebekah, and said to her, Wilt thou go with this man? She said, I will go. So Rebekah arose, and her damsels, and followed the man. Isaac came from the well Lahai-roi. He had gone out to meditate in the field at the eventide. When Rebekah saw Isaac, she lighted off the camel. For she had asked the servant, What man is this that walketh in the field to meet us? The servant had said, It is my master: therefore she took a veil and covered herself. Isaac brought Rebekah into his mother Sarah's tent; she became his wife; and he loved her: and Isaac was comforted after his mother's death.

(From Proverbs.)

HE who hath found a brave wife hath found that which is above rubies. The heart of her husband trusteth in her and he shall have no lack

of gain. She doth him good only and not evil all the days of her life. She seeketh wool and flax and worketh at her business willingly. She rises while it is yet night, provideth meat for her household and prepareth the tasks for her maidens. She considereth a field and procures it, with the fruit of her hands she planteth a vineyard. She girdeth herself with strength and maketh strong her arms. She layeth her hands to the distaff and her fingers seize the spindle. She stretcheth forth her hands to the poor and reacheth them out to the needy. She is not afraid of the winter for her household, for they are all clothed in wool. She maketh for herself cushions and tapestry, her clothing is fine linen and purple. Her husband is distinguished in the gates when he sitteth among the elders of the land. Strength and dignity adorn her and she looks cheerfully at the time to come. She openeth her mouth with wisdom and the teachings of kindness are on her tongue. She looketh well to the ways of her household and eateth not the bread of idleness. Her children rise up and call her blessed, her husband also, and he praises her saying: Comeliness passes away, beauty is vain; the woman that feareth God her honor endureth always.

XIV.

(From Genesis xxviii.)

AND Jacob went out from Beer-sheba, and went toward Haran. And he lighted upon a certain

place, and tarried there all night, because the sun was set; and he took one of the stones of the place, and put it under his head, and lay down in that place to sleep. And he dreamed, and behold a ladder set up on the earth, and the top of it reached to heaven: and behold the angels of God ascending and descending on it. And, behold, the Lord stood above it, and said, I am the Lord, the God of Abraham thy father, and the God of Isaac: the land whereon thou liest, to thee will I give it, and to thy children; and they shall be as the dust of the earth, and thou shalt spread abroad to the west, and to the east, and to the north, and to the south; and in thee and in thy offspring shall all the families of the earth be blessed. And, behold, I am with thee, and will keep thee whithersoever thou goest, and will bring thee again into this land; for I will not leave thee, until I have done that which I have spoken to thee of. And Jacob awoke out of his sleep, and he said, Surely the Lord is in this place; and I knew it not. And he was afraid, and said, How awesome is this place! this is none other but the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven. And Jacob rose up early in the morning and took the stone that he had put under his head, and set it up for a pillar, and poured oil upon the top of it. And he called the name of that place Beth-el (House of God), but the name of the city was Luz at the first. And Jacob vowed a vow, saying, If God will be with me, and will keep me in this way that I go, and will give me bread to eat, and raiment to put on, so that I come

again to my father's house in peace, then shall the Lord be my God, and this stone, which I have set up for a pillar, shall be God's house: and of all that Thou shalt give me I shall surely give the tenth unto Thee.

(From Ecclesiastes.)

KEEP thy foot when thou goest to the House of God; for to draw nigh to hear instruction is better than to give the sacrifice of fools: they know not that they do evil. Be not rash with thy mouth, and let not thy heart be hasty to utter any thing before God; for God is in heaven, and thou upon earth: therefore let thy words be few. For a dream cometh with a multitude of business; and a fool's voice with many words. When thou vowest a vow unto God, defer not to pay it; for He hath no pleasure in fools; pay that which thou vowest. Better is it that thou shouldest not vow, than that thou shouldest vow and not pay. Suffer not thy mouth to cause thy flesh to sin; neither say thou before the messenger it was an error: wherefore should God be angry at thy voice, and destroy the work of thine hands? For thus it cometh to pass through the multitude of dreams and vanities and many words: but fear thou God. He that loveth money shall not be satisfied with money, nor he that loveth abundance with increase: this also is vanity. When goods increase, they are increased that eat them: and what advantage is there to the owner thereof; saving the beholding of them with his eyes? The

sleep of a laboring man is sweet, whether he eat little or much: but the fulness of the rich will not suffer him to sleep.

XV.

(Genesis xxxii.)

AND Jacob sent messengers before him to Esau his brother, and saying, Thus saith thy servant Jacob, I have sojourned with Laban, and stayed until now: and I have oxen, and asses and flocks, and men-servants and maid-servants: and I have sent to tell my lord, that I may find grace in thy sight. And the messengers returned to Jacob, saying, We came to thy brother Esau; he cometh to meet thee, and four hundred men with him. Then Jacob was greatly afraid and was distressed: and he divided the people that was with him into two companies; and he said: If Esau come to the one company, and smite it, then the company which is left shall escape. And Jacob said, O God of my father Abraham, and God of my father Isaac, O Lord, who saidst unto me, Return unto thy country, and to thy kindred, and I will do thee good: I am not worthy of the least of all the mercies, and of all the truth, which thou hast shown unto thy servant; for with my staff I passed over this Jordan; and now I am become two companies. Deliver me, I pray thee, from the hand of my brother, from the hand of Esau: for I fear him, lest he come and smite me, the

mother with the children. And he lodged there that night; and took of that which he had with him a present for Esau his brother. And Jacob was left alone; and there wrestled a man with him until the breaking of the day. And when he saw that he prevailed not against him, he touched the hollow of his thigh; and the hollow of Jacob's thigh was strained, as he wrestled with him. And he said, Let me go, for the day breaketh. And he said, I will not let thee go, except thou bless me. And he said unto him, What is thy name? And he said, Jacob. And he said, Thy name shall be called no more Jacob, but Israel: for thou hast striven with angels and with men, and hast prevailed.

(From Proverbs.)

BY pride cometh contention; it goeth before destruction, and a haughty spirit before the fall. Let another man praise thee and not thine own mouth, a stranger and not thine own lips. Humility goeth before honor: for men to make known their own glory is not glory. As clouds and winds without rain, so is he that boasteth himself of his gifts falsely. Who can say, I have kept my heart clean, I am free of sin? A man's pride shall bring him low, but honor shall uphold the humble in spirit.

Let not mercy and truth forsake thee: bind them about thy neck, write them upon the table

of thy heart. So shalt thou find favor in the sight of God and men. Trust in the Lord with all thy heart, and lean not on thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge Him and He shall direct thy paths.

(From Job.)

When Job said: I know it is so of a truth: How should man be just with God? If he will contend with Him, he cannot answer Him one of a thousand. He is wise in heart and mighty in strength: who hath hardened himself against Him and hath prospered? Shall I answer Him and choose out my words to reason with Him? If I justify myself mine own mouth shall condemn me; if I say I am perfect, that shall prove me perverse.

XVI.

(From Genesis xxxiii.)

WHEN Jacob lifted up his eyes, he saw Esau coming and with him four hundred men; and he divided the children to Leah and Rachel. And he passed over before them, and bowed himself to the ground seven times, until he came nearer to his brother; then Esau ran to meet him, embraced him; and they wept. And Esau saw the women and the children, and said, Who are those with thee? And he said, The children which God hath graciously given thy servant. Then the handmaidens came near, they

and their children, and they bowed themselves. And Leah also with her children came near, and after came Joseph and Rachel, and they bowed themselves.

And Esau said, What meanest thou by all this drove which I met? And Jacob said, These are to find grace in the sight of my lord; but Esau said, I have enough, my brother; keep that thou hast to thyself. Jacob said, Nay, I pray thee, if now I have found grace in thy sight, receive my present at my hand: for now I have seen thy face, as though I had seen the face of God, and thou wast pleased with me. Take, I pray thee, of my blessing that is brought to thee; because God hath dealt graciously with me, and because I have enough. And Jacob urged him, and he took it. Esau said, Let us take our journey, and I will go before thee. And he said to him, My lord knoweth that the children are tender, and the flocks and herds with young are with me. Let my lord pass before his servant; I will lead on softly, according as the cattle and the children be able to endure, until I come to my lord to Seir. Esau said, Let me now leave with thee some of the folk that are with me. And he said, What needeth it? let me find grace in the sight of my lord. So Esau returned that day on his way to Seir.

(From Isaiah.)

THE word that Isaiah, the son of Amos, spoke concerning Judah and Jerusalem. It shall be in the latter days that the mountain of the Lord's house shall be above all mountains and exalted above all hills and nations shall flow unto it. And many peoples shall go and say: Come ye, and let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the home of the God of Jacob, that He may teach us of His ways and we will walk in His paths; for out of Zion shall go forth the doctrine, (instruction) and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. Then will He judge among the nations and reprove many peoples; then shall they beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword point against nation, neither shall they learn war any more. O house of Jacob, come ye and let us walk in the light of the Lord!

And there shall come forth a shoot out of the stem of Jesse and a branch out of his roots shall bear fruit; upon him shall rest the spirit of God: the spirit of wisdom and right understanding, the spirit of counsel and of strength, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of God, and his pleasure will be in those that fear the Lord; he shall not judge after the sight of his eyes, nor decide after the hearing of his ears: with justice shall he judge the poor, with equity sustain the cause of the humble of the land; but he shall chastise proud overbearing with the rod of his mouth, and

by the power of his lips make sinners to cease from the land. Righteousness shall be the girdle of his loins and truth the weapon of his sides. They shall not hurt nor destroy on all my holy mountain, for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of God as the waters cover the sea.

XVII.

(From Genesis xxxv.)

AND God said unto Jacob, Arise, go up to Beth-el, and dwell there: and make there an altar unto God, who appeared unto thee when thou fleddest from the face of Esau thy brother. Then Jacob said unto his household, and to all that were with him, Put away the strange gods that are among you, and purify yourselves, and change your garments: and let us arise, and go up to Beth-el; and I will make there an altar unto God, who answered me in the day of my distress, and was with me in the way which I went. And they gave unto Jacob all the strange gods which were in their hand, and the rings which were in their ears; and Jacob hid them under the oak which was by Shechem. And they journeyed: and a great terror was upon the cities that were round about them, and they did not pursue after the sons of Jacob. So Jacob came to Luz, which is in the land of Canaan (the same is Beth-el), he and all the people that were with him. And he built there an altar, and called the place El-beth-el: because there God was revealed unto him, when he

fled from the face of his brother. And Deborah, Rebekah's nurse died, and she was buried below Beth-el, under the oak: and the name of it was called Allon-bacuth.

And Jacob came unto Isaac his father to Mamre, to Kiriath-arba (the same is Hebron), where Abraham and Isaac sojourned. And the days of Isaac were an hundred and fourscore years. And Isaac gave up the ghost, and died, and was gathered unto his people, being old and full of days; and his sons Esau and Jacob buried him.

(From Isaiah.)

TO whom will ye liken God? or what likeness will ye compare unto him? The workman melteth a graven image, and the goldsmith spreadeth it over with gold, and casteth silver chains. He that is so impoverished that he hath no oblation chooseth a tree that will not rot; he seeketh unto him a cunning workman to prepare a graven image, that shall not be moved. Have ye not known? have ye not heard? hath it not been told you from the beginning? have ye not understood from the foundations of the earth? It is God ruleth the circle of the earth, and the inhabitants thereof are as grasshoppers; that stretcheth out the heavens as a curtain, and spreadeth them out as a tent to dwell in: That bringeth the princes to nothing; He maketh the judges of the earth as vanity. Why sayest thou, O Jacob, and speakest, O Israel, My way is hid from

the Lord, and my judgment is passed over from my God? Hast thou not known? hast thou not heard, that the everlasting God, the Lord, the Creator of the ends of the earth, fainteth not, neither is weary? there is no searching of his understanding. He giveth power to the faint; and to them that have no might He increaseth strength. Even the youths shall faint and be weary, and the young men shall utterly fall: But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.

XVIII.

(From Genesis xxxvii.

THESE are the generations of Jacob. Joseph, being seventeen years old, was feeding the flock with his brethren; and Joseph brought unto his father their evil report. Now Israel loved Joseph more than all his children, because he was the son of his old age: and he made him a coat of many colors. And when his brethren saw that their father loved him more than all his brethren, they hated him, and could not speak peaceably unto him. And Joseph dreamed a dream, and he told it his brethren: and they hated him yet the more. And he said unto them, Hear, I pray you, this dream which I have dreamed: We were binding sheaves in the field, and lo, my sheaf arose, and also stood upright; and your sheaves stood round about, and

made obeisance to my sheaf. And his brethren said to him, Shalt thou indeed reign over us? or shalt thou indeed have dominion over us? And they hated him yet the more for his dreams, and for his words.

And he dreamed yet another dream, and told it his brethren, and said, I have dreamed a dream more; and, behold, the sun and the moon and the eleven stars made obeisance to me. And he told it to his father, and his father rebuked him, What is this dream that thou hast dreamed? Shall I and thy mother and thy brethren indeed come to bow down ourselves to thee to the earth? And his brethren envied him; but his father observed the saying.

(From I. Samuel.)

AND the Lord said unto Samuel, How long wilt thou mourn for Saul, seeing I have rejected him from being king over Israel? fill thine horn with oil, and go, I will send thee to Jesse the Beth-lehemite: for I have provided me a king among his sons. And Samuel did that which the Lord spake, and came to Beth-lehem. And the elders of the city came to meet him and said, Comest thou peaceably? And he said, Peaceably: I am come to sacrifice unto the Lord: sanctify yourselves, and come with me to the sacrifice.

And he sanctified Jesse and his sons, and called them to the sacrifice. And he looked on Eliab, and said, Surely, the Lord's anointed is before

Him. But the Lord said unto Samuel, Look not on his countenance, or on the height of his stature; because I have rejected him: for the Lord seeth not as man seeth; for man looketh on the outward appearance, but the Lord looketh on the heart. Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. And he said, Neither hath the Lord chosen this. Then Jesse made Shammah to pass by. And he said, Neither hath the Lord chosen this. And Jesse made all the seven to pass before Samuel. And Samuel said, The Lord hath not chosen these. And Samuel said unto Jesse, Are here all thy children? And he said, There remaineth yet the youngest, and, behold, he keepeth the sheep. And Samuel said unto Jesse, Send and fetch him: for we will not sit down till he come hither. And he sent, and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and withal of a beautiful countenance, and goodly to look upon. And the Lord said, Arise, anoint him: for this is he. Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the midst of his brethren: and the spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward.

XIX.

(From Genesis xlii.)

AND the sons of Israel came to buy corn, for the famine was in the land of Canaan. And Joseph was the governor over the land; he it was that sold to all the people of the land:

and Joseph's brethren bowed down themselves to him with their faces to the earth. Joseph said unto them, Whence come ye? And they said, From the land of Canaan to buy food. And Joseph knew his brethren, but they knew him not. And Joseph remembered the dreams which he dreamed of them, and said unto them, Ye are spies; to see the weakness of the land ye are come. And they said, We thy servants are twelve brethren, the sons of one man in the land of Canaan; the youngest is this day with our father, and one is not. And Joseph said unto them, That is it that I spake, Ye are spies: hereby ye shall be proved: by the life of Pharaoh ye shall not go forth hence, except your youngest brother come hither. Send one of you, and let him fetch your brother, and ye shall be bound, that your words may be proved, whether there be truth in you. And he put them all together into ward for three days.

And Joseph said unto them the third day, This do, and live; for I fear God: if ye be true men, let one of your brethren be bound in your prison house; but go ye, carry corn for the famine of your houses: and bring your youngest brother unto me; so shall your words be verified, and ye shall not die. And they did so. And they said to one another, We are verily guilty concerning our brother, in that we saw the distress of his soul, when he besought us, and we would not hear; therefore is this distress come upon us. And Reuben answered

them, saying, Spake I not unto you, saying, Do not sin against the child; and ye would not hear? therefore also, behold, his blood is required.

(From Ecclesiastes.)

IT is better to hear the rebuke of the wise than for a man to hear the song of fools. For as the crackling of thorns under a pot, so is the laughter of the fool: this is vanity altogether. Better is the end of a thing than the beginning thereof: the patient in spirit is better than the proud in spirit. Be not hasty in thy spirit to be angry: for anger resteth in the bosom of fools. Say not thou, What is the cause that the former days were better than these? for thou dost not inquire wisely concerning this. Consider the work of God: for who can make that straight, which he hath made crooked? In the day of prosperity be joyful, but in the day of adversity consider: God hath set the one over against the other, and no man can find out what comes after them. Wisdom strengtheneth the wise more than ten mighty men who are in the city. There is not a just man upon earth that doeth good only, and sinneth not. Because sentence against an evil work is not executed speedily, therefore the heart of the sons of men is fully set in them to do evil. Yet though a sinner do evil a hundred times, and his days be prolonged, surely I know that it shall be well with them that fear God, which fear before Him: but it shall not be well with the wicked

neither shall he prolong his days, which are as a shadow; because he feareth not before God.

XX.

(From Genesis xlv.)

AND Joseph could not refrain himself before all them that stood by him; and he cried, Cause every man to go out from me. And Joseph said unto his brethren: I am Joseph; doth my father yet live? And his brethren could not answer him; for they were troubled at his presence. And Joseph said unto his brethren, Come near to me, I pray you. And they came near. And he said, I am Joseph, your brother, whom ye sold into Egypt. Now be not grieved, nor angry with yourselves, that ye sold me hither: for God did send me before you to preserve life. For these two years hath the famine been in the land: and yet there are five years, in which there shall neither be earing nor harvest. And God sent me before you to preserve you a posterity in the earth, and to save your lives by a great deliverance. So not you sent me hither, but God: and He hath made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house, and a ruler throughout all the land of Egypt. Haste ye, and go up to my father, and say unto him, Thus saith thy son Joseph, God hath made me lord of all Egypt: come down unto me, tarry not: and thou shalt dwell in the land of Goshen, and thou shalt be near unto me, thou, and thy children, and thy children's

children, and thy flocks, and thy herds, and all that thou hast: and there will I nourish thee. And he fell upon his brother Benjamin's neck, and wept; and Benjamin wept upon his neck. Moreover he kissed all his brethren, and after that his brethren talked with him.

(From Nehemiah.)

THE words of Nehemiah the son of Hacaliah. As I was in Shushan the palace, Hanani, one of my brethren, came, he and certain men out of Judah; and I asked them concerning the Jews that were left of tne captivity, and concerning Jerusalem. And they said, The remnant that are left of the captivity there in the province are in great affliction and reproach; the wall of Jerusalem also is broken down, and the gates thereof are burned with fire. When I heard these words, I sat down and wept, and mourned certain days; and I fasted and prayed before the God of heaven. Now I was cupbearer to the king. In the month Nisan, in the twentieth year of Artaxerxes the king, when wine was before him, I took up the wine, and gave it unto the king. Now I had not been beforetime sad in his presence. And the king said unto me, Why is thy countenance sad, seeing thou art not sick? this is nothing else but sorrow of heart. And I said, Let the king live forever: why should not my countenance be sad, when the city, the place of my fathers' sepulchres, lieth waste, and the gates thereof are consumed with fire? Then the king

said unto me, For what dost thou make request? So I prayed to the God of heaven. And said unto the king, If it please the king, and, if thy servant have found favor in thy sight, that thou wouldest send me unto Judah, that I may build it. And the king said unto me, (the queen also sitting by him,) For how long shall thy journey be? and when wilt thou return? So it pleased the king to send me; and I set him a time. Moreover, I said unto the king, if it please the king let letters be given me to the governors beyond the river, that they may let me pass through till I come unto Judah; and a letter unto Asaph the keeper of the king's forest, that he may give me timber to make beams for the gates of the castle which appertaineth to the house, and for the wall of the city, and for the house that I shall enter into. And the king granted me, according to the good hand of my God upon me.

XXI.

(From Genesis xlvii.)

AND Joseph made ready his chariot, and went up to meet Israel, his father, to Goshen; and he presented himself unto him, and fell on his neck, and wept on his neck a good while. And Israel said unto Joseph, Now let me die, since I have seen thy face, that thou art yet alive.

Then Joseph went in and told Pharaoh, and said, My father and my brethren, and their flocks, and

their herds, and all that they have, are come out of the land of Canaan; they are in the land of Goshen. And from among his brethren he took five men, and presented them unto Pharaoh. And Pharaoh said unto his brethren, What is your occupation? And they said, Thy servants are shepherds, as were our fathers. To sojourn in the land are we come; for there is no pasture for thy servants' flocks; for the famine is sore in the land of Canaan: now therefore, we pray thee, let thy servants dwell in the land of Goshen. And Pharaoh spake unto Joseph, saying, Thy father and thy brethren are come unto thee: in the best of the land make thy father and thy brethren to dwell; in the land of Goshen let them dwell: and if thou knowest any able men among them, then make them rulers over my cattle. And Joseph brought in Jacob his father, and set him before Pharaoh: and Jacob blessed Pharaoh. And Pharaoh said unto Jacob, How many are the days of the years of thy life? And Jacob said, The days of the years of my pilgrimage are a hundred and fifty years: few and evil have been the days of the years of my life, and they have not attained unto the years of the life of my fathers, and Jacob blessed Pharaoh and went our from before his face.

(From Job.)

WHY is light given to a man whose way is hid, and whom God hath hedged in? For my sighing cometh like my meat, and my roarings are poured

out like water. For the thing which I feared cometh upon me, and that which I am afraid of cometh unto me. I was not at ease, neither was I quiet, neither had I rest; but trouble cometh. Then Eliphaz, the Temanite, answered, If we assay to commune with thee, wilt thou be grieved? but who can withhold himself from speaking? Behold, thou hast instructed many, and thou hast strengthened the weak hands. Thy words have upholden him that was falling, and thou hast strengthened the feeble knees. But now it is come upon thee, and thou faintest; it toucheth thee, and thou art troubled. Remember, I pray thee, who ever perished, being innocent? or where were the righteous cut off? Even as I have seen, they that plough iniquity, and sow wickedness, reap the same. Now a thing was secretly brought to me, and mine ear received a little thereof. In thoughts from the visions of the night, when deep sleep falleth on men, then a spirit passed before my face; it stood still, but I could not discern the form thereof: and I heard a voice, saying, Shall mortal man be more just than God? shall a man be more pure than his Maker? Behold, he puts no trust in his servants; and his angels he charges with folly: how much less can they be perfect that dwell in houses of clay, whose foundation is in the dust, which are crushed before the moth? Behold, happy is the man whom the Lord correcteth; therefore despise thou not the chastenings of the Lord.

XXII.

(From Genesis xlix and l.)

AND Jacob charged his sons, I am to be gathered unto my people: bury me with my fathers in the cave, that is in the field of Machpelah, which is before Mamre, in the land of Canaan, which Abraham bought with the field from Ephron the Hittite for a possession of a burying-place: there they buried Abraham and Sarah his wife; there they buried Isaac and Rebekah his wife; and there I buried Leah. And when Jacob made an end of charging his sons, he yielded up the ghost, and was gathered unto his people. And Joseph fell upon his father's face, and wept upon him, and kissed him. And he commanded his servants, the physicians, to embalm his father: and the physicians embalmed Israel; and the Egyptians mourned for him threescore and ten days. And his sons did unto him according as he commanded them: for his sons carried him into the land of Canaan, and buried him in the cave of the field of Machpelah. And when Joseph's brethren saw that their father was dead, they said, It may be that Joseph will hate us, and will fully requite us all the evil which we did unto him. And they sent a message unto Joseph, saying, Thy father did command before he died, saying, So shall ye say unto Joseph, Forgive, I pray thee, the transgression of thy brethren, and their sin, for that they did unto thee evil: and now, we pray thee, forgive the transgression of the servants of the God of thy father. And his brethren fell down before his face; and said, Behold, we be thy

servants. And Joseph said unto them, Fear not: for am I in the place of God? And as for you, ye meant evil against me; but God meant it for good, to bring to pass, as it is this day, to save much people alive. Now therefore fear ye not: I will nourish you, and your little ones. And he comforted them, and spake kindly unto them.

(From Isaiah.)

THOU, O Lord, hast been a strength to the poor, a strength to the needy in his distress, a refuge from the storm, a shadow from the heat. The Lord God will wipe away tears from off all faces and the rebuke of His people shall He take away from off all the earth. Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on Thee. Trust ye, therefore, in the Lord for ever; in Him is everlasting strength.

Thus saith the Lord, who redeemed Abraham, concerning the house of Jacob: Jacob shall not now be ashamed, neither shall his face wax pale: but when he seeth his children, the work of my hands, in the midst of him, they shall sanctify my name; they shall hallow the Holy One of Jacob and shall fear the God of Israel. They also that erred in spirit shall come to understanding and they that murmured shall learn doctrine. And the work of righteousness shall be peace; and the effect thereof shall be quietness and assurance forever; and my people shall dwell in a peaceable habitation and in sure dwellings and in quiet resting places; and wisdom and know-

ledge shall be the stability of thy times and the fear of the Lord shall be thy treasure.

XXIII.

(From Exodus i and ii.)

NOW there arose a new king over Egypt, who knew not Joseph. And he said unto his people, The children of Israel are more and mightier than we: come, let us deal cunningly with them; lest they multiply, and when there falleth out any war, they join themselves unto our enemies, and fight against us, and go out of the land. Therefore they did set over them taskmasters to afflict them with their burdens. But the more they afflicted them, the more they multiplied, and the more they spread abroad. And Pharaoh charged all his people, saying, Every son that is born to the Hebrews ye shall cast into the river, and every daughter ye shall save alive.

Now there went a man of the house of Levi, and took to wife a daughter of Levi. And the woman bore a son: and when she saw him that he was a goodly child, she hid him three months. And when she could no longer hide him, she took an ark of bulrushes, and daubed it with slime and with pitch, and put the child therein; and she laid it in the flags by the river's brink. And his sister stood afar off, to wit what would be done to him. And the daughter of Pharaoh came down to the river; and her maidens walked along by the river's side: and

when she saw the ark among the flags, she sent her maid to fetch it. And when she had opened it, she saw the child: and the babe wept. And she had compassion on him, and said, This is one of the Hebrews' children. Then said his sister to her, Shall I go and call to thee a nurse of the Hebrew women, that she may nurse the child for thee? And Pharaoh's daughter said to her, Go. And the maid went and called the child's mother. And Pharaoh's daughter said unto her, Take this child away, and nurse it for me, and I will give thee thy wages. And the child grew, and she brought him unto Pharaoh's daughter, and he became her son. And she called his name Moses: and she said, Because I drew him out of the water.

(From I. Samuel.)

NOW Hannah rose up after they had eaten in Shiloh, and after they had drunk. Eli, the priest, sat upon his seat by the door post of the temple of the Lord. And she was in bitterness of soul, and prayed unto the Lord, and wept sore. And she vowed a vow, and said, O Lord of hosts, if Thou wilt indeed look on the affliction of Thy handmaid, and give unto Thy handmaid a man child, then I will give him unto the Lord all the days of his life, and he shall be a Nasirite. And as she continued praying before the Lord, Eli marked her mouth. Now Hannah spoke in her heart; only her lips moved, but her voice was not heard: therefore Eli thought she had been drunken. And Eli

said unto her, How long wilt thou be drunken? put away thy wine from thee. And Hannah answered and said, No, my lord, I am a woman of a sorrowful spirit: I have drunk neither wine nor strong drink, but I poured out my soul before the Lord, and out of the abundance of my complaint and my provocation have I spoken hitherto. Then Eli answered, Go in peace: and the God of Israel grant thy petition that thou hast asked of him. And she said, Let thy servant find grace in thy sight. So the woman went her way, and did eat, and her countenance was no more sad. And Hannah bore a son; and she called his name Samuel, saying, Because I have asked him of the Lord. And when she had weaned him, she took him up with her, with three bullocks, and one ephah of meal, and a bottle of wine, and brought him unto the house of the Lord in Shiloh. and the child was young. And they brought the child to Eli. And she said, O my lord, as thy soul liveth, my lord, I am the woman that stood by thee here, praying unto the Lord. For this child I prayed; and the Lord hath given me my petition which I asked of Him: therefore I also have granted him to the Lord; as long as he liveth he is granted to the Lord.

XXIV.

(From Exodus iii.)

NOW Moses kept the flock of Jethro, his father-in-law, the priest of Midian: and he led the

flock to the back side of the desert, and came to the mountain of God, even to Horeb. And the angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush: and he looked, and, behold, the bush burned with fire, but was not consumed. And Moses said, I will now turn aside, and see this great sight, why the bush is not burnt. And when the Lord saw that he turned aside to see, God called unto him out of the midst of the bush, and said, Moses, Moses. And he said, Here am I. And He said, Draw not nigh hither: put off thy shoes from off thy feet; for the place whereon thou standest is holy ground. I am the God of thy father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. And Moses hid his face; for he was afraid to look upon God.

And the Lord said, I have surely seen the affliction of my people in Egypt, and have heard their cry by reason of their taskmasters; I know their sorrows. Come now, I will send thee unto Pharaoh, that thou mayest bring forth my people the children of Israel out of Egypt. And Moses said unto God, Who am I, that I should go unto Pharaoh, and that I should bring forth the children of Israel out of Egypt? And He said, Certainly, I will be with thee; and this shall be a token unto thee, that I have sent thee: When thou hast brought forth the people out of Egypt, ye shall serve God upon this mountain. And Moses said unto God, Behold, when I come unto the children of Israel, and shall say unto them, The God of your fathers hath sent me unto you;

and they shall say to me, What is His name? what shall I say unto them? And God said unto Moses, I AM THAT I AM: and He said, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, I AM hath sent me unto you.

(The Vision of Isaiah.)

IN the year that king Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up, and His train filled the temple. Above it stood the seraphim: each one had six wings; with twain he covered his face, and with twain he covered his feet, and with twain he did fly. And one cried unto another, and said, Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord of hosts: the whole earth is full of His glory. Then said I, Woe is me! for I am undone; because I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips: for mine eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts. Then flew one of the seraphim unto me, having a live coal in his hand, which he had taken with the tongs from off the altar: And he laid it upon my mouth, and said, Lo, this hath touched thy lips; and thine iniquity is taken away, and thy sin purged. Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, Whom shall I send, and who will go for us? Then said I, Here am I; send me. And He said, Go, and tell this people, Hear ye indeed, but understand not: and see ye indeed, but perceive not. Then said I, Lord, how long? And He answered, Until the cities be wasted without inhabitant, and the houses without man, and the land be

utterly desolate. And the Lord have removed men far away, and there be a great forsaking in the midst of the land.

XXV.

(From Exodus iv.)

AND Moses said unto the Lord, O my Lord, I am not eloquent, neither heretofore, nor since Thou hast spoken unto Thy servant; but I am slow of speech, and of a slow tongue. And the Lord said unto him, Who hath made man's mouth? or who maketh the dumb, or deaf, or the seeing, or the blind? have not I the Lord? Now therefore go, and I will be with thy mouth, and teach thee what thou shalt say. And he said, O my Lord, send, I pray Thee, by the hand of him whom Thou wilt send. And the anger of the Lord was kindled against Moses, and He said, Is not Aaron the Levite thy brother? I know that he can speak well. And also, behold, he cometh forth to meet thee: and when he seeth thee, he will be glad in his heart. And thou shalt speak unto him, and put words in his mouth: and I will be with thy mouth, and with his mouth, and will teach you what ye shall do. And he shall be thy spokesman unto the people: and he shall be, even he shall be to thee instead of a mouth, and thou shalt be to him instead of God. And thou shalt take this rod in thine hand, wherewith thou shalt do signs.

And Moses went and returned to Jethro his father-in-law, and said unto him, Let me go, I pray

thee, and return to my brethren which are in Egypt, and see whether they be yet alive. And Jethro said to Moses, Go in peace. And Moses and Aaron went and gathered together all the elders of the children of Israel: And Aaron spoke all the words which the Lord had spoken unto Moses, and did the signs in the sight of the people. And the people believed: and when they heard that the Lord had visited the children of Israel, and that he had looked upon their affliction, then they bowed their heads and worshiped.

(From Jeremiah.)

THE words of Jeremiah the son of Hilkiah, of the priests that were in Anathoth in the land of Benjamin. To whom the word of the Lord came in the days of Josiah, the son of Amon, king of Judah, in the thirteenth year of his reign. Then the word of the Lord came unto me, saying, Before I formed thee I knew thee, sanctified thee, and ordained thee a prophet unto the nations. Then said I, Ah, Lord God! behold, I cannot speak: for I am young. But the Lord said unto me, Say not, I am young: thou shalt go to all that I shall send thee, and whatsoever I command thee thou shalt speak. Be not afraid, for I am with thee to deliver thee, saith the Lord. Then the Lord put forth his hand, and touched my mouth. And the Lord said unto me, Behold, I have put my words in thy mouth. See, I have this day set thee over the nations and over the kingdoms, to root out, and to pull down,

and to destroy, and to throw down, to build, and to plant. Thou, therefore, gird up thy loins, and arise, and speak unto them all that I command thee: be not dismayed at their faces, lest I confound thee before them. For, behold, I have made thee this day a defenced city, and an iron pillar, and brazen walls against the whole land, against the kings of Judah, against the princes thereof, against the priests thereof, and against the people of the land. And they shall fight against thee; but they shall not prevail against thee; for I am with thee, saith the Lord.

XXVI.

(From Exodus xvii.)

THEN came Amalek, and fought with Israel in Rephidim. And Moses said unto Joshua, Choose us out men, and go out, fight with Amalek: to-morrow I will stand on the top of the hill with the rod of God in my hand. So Joshua did as Moses had said to him, and fought with Amalek: and Moses, Aaron, and Hur went up to the top of the hill. And it came to pass, when Moses held up his hand, that Israel prevailed: and when he let down his hand, Amalek prevailed. But Moses' hands were heavy; and they took a stone, and put it under him, and he sat thereon; and Aaron and Hur stayed up his hands, the one on the one side, and the other on the other side; and his hands were steady until the going down of the sun. And Joshua discomfited Amalek and his people with the edge of the sword.

And the Lord said unto Moses, Write this for a memorial in a book, and rehearse it in the ears of Joshua: that I will utterly blot out the remembrance of Amalek from under heaven. And Moses built an altar, and called the name of it, The Lord my banner: and he said, The Lord hath sworn: the Lord will have war with Amalek from generation to generation.

(From Isaiah.)

CAST up, and prepare the way, take up the stumbling block out of the way of my people. For thus saith the high and lofty One that inhabiteth eternity, whose name is Holy: I dwell in the high and holy place, with him also that is of a contrite and humble spirit, to revive the spirit of the lowly, and to quicken the heart of the contrite ones. For I will not contend for ever, neither will I be always wroth: for the spirit should fail before me, and the souls which I have made. For the iniquity of his covetousness was I wroth, and smote him: I hid me, and was wroth, and he went on frowardly in the way of his heart. I have seen his ways, and will heal him: I will lead him also, and restore comforts unto him and to his mourners. I create the fruit of the lips; Peace, peace to him that is far off, and to him that is near, saith the Lord; and I will heal him. But the wicked are like the troubled sea, when it cannot rest, whose waters cast up mire and dirt. There is no peace to the wicked, saith my God.

XXVII.

(From Exodus, xviii.)

NOW Jethro, the priest of Midian, Moses' father-in-law, heard of all that God had done for Moses, and for Israel his people, how that the Lord had brought Israel out of Egypt. And Jethro took Zipporah, Moses wife and her two sons; of which the name of one was Gershom; for he said, I have been a sojourner in a strange land: and the name of the other was Eliezer; for he said, The God of my father was my help, and delivered me from the sword of Pharaoh: and Jethro came unto Moses into the wilderness where he was encamped, at the mount of God: and he said unto Moses, I thy father-in-law am come unto thee, and thy wife, and her two sons with her. And Moses went out to meet his father-in-law, and they asked each other of their welfare; and they came into the tent. And Moses told his father-in-law all that the Lord had done unto Pharaoh and to the Egyptians for Israel's sake, all the travail that had come upon them by the way, and how the Lord delivered them. And Jethro rejoiced for all the goodness which the Lord had done to Israel, and said, Blessed be the Lord, who hath delivered you out of the hand of the Egyptians, and out of the hand of Pharaoh; now I know that the Lord is greater than all gods. And Jethro took a burnt offering and sacrifices for God: and Aaron came, and all the elders of Israel, to eat bread with Moses' father-in-law before God.

(From Isaiah.)

BEHOLD my servant, whom I uphold, mine elect, in whom my soul delighteth; I have put my spirit upon him: he shall bring forth judgment to the Gentiles. He shall not cry, nor lift up, nor cause his voice to be heard in the street. A bruised reed shall he not break, and the smoking flax shall he not quench: he shall bring forth judgment unto truth. He shall not fail nor be discouraged, till he have set judgment in the earth: and the isles shall wait for his law. Thus saith God the Lord, he that created the heavens, and stretched them out; he that spread forth the earth, and that which cometh out of it; he that giveth breath unto the people upon it, and spirit to them that walk therein. I, the Lord, have called thee in righteousness, and will hold thine hand, and will keep thee, and give thee for a covenant of the people, for a light of the Gentiles; to open the blind eyes, to bring out the prisoners from the prison, and these that sit in darkness out of the prison house. I am the Everlasting; that is my name: and my glory will I not give to another, neither my praise to graven images. Sing unto the Lord a new song, and his praise from the end of the earth, ye that go down to the sea, and all the inhabitants thereof. Let the wilderness and the cities thereof lift up their voice, let the inhabitants of the rock sing, let them shout from the top of the mountains. Let them give glory unto the Lord and declare His praise in the islands.

XXVIII.

(From Exodus, xix.)

IN the third month, when the children of Israel were gone forth out of the land of Egypt, the same day came they into the wilderness of Sinai. And Moses went up unto God, and the Lord called unto him out of the mountain, saying, Thus shalt thou say to the house of Jacob, and tell the children of Israel: Ye have seen what I did unto the Egyptians, and how I bare you on eagles' wings, and brought you unto myself. Now, therefore, if ye will obey my voice indeed, and keep my covenant, then ye shall be a peculiar treasure unto me above all people: for all the earth is mine: and ye shall be unto me a kingdom of priests, and a holy nation. These are the words which thou shalt speak unto the children of Israel. And Moses came and called for the elders of the people, and laid before their faces all these words which the Lord commanded him. And all the people answered together, and said, All that the Lord hath spoken we will do. And Moses returned the words of the people unto the Lord. And the Lord said unto Moses, Lo, I come unto thee in a thick cloud, that the people may hear when I speak with thee, and believe thee for ever. And Moses told the words of the Lord unto the people. And it came to pass on the third day in the morning, that there were thunders and lightnings, and a thick cloud upon the mount, and the voice of the trumpet exceeding loud; so that all the people that was in the camp trembled. And Moses brought forth the people out of the camp

to meet with God; and they stood at the nether part of the mount.

(From Isaiah.)

HEAR, O Jacob, my servant and Israel whom I have chosen: For as I pour rain upon thirsty ground and floods upon dry land, even so will I pour my spirit upon thy children and my blessing upon their offspring. And they shall grow as among grass and as willows by the water-courses. One shall say: I am the Lord's; and another shall adorn himself with the name of Jacob; and another shall subscribe himself as a servant of the Lord and surname himself by the name of the Lord.

Thus saith the Lord, the King of Israel and his redeemer, the Lord of hosts: I am the first and I am the last and beside me there is no God, who shall declare it and set in order for me since I appointed the ancient people. Fear ye not; have not I told ye from that time: ye are my witnesses. Remember these things, O Israel, for thou art my servant, I have formed thee, thou shalt not be forgotten of me. I girded thee with strength, even then thou didst not yet know me: that they may know from the rising of the van and from the west that there is no God besides me. I have not spoken in secret, in a dark place of the earth; I said not unto the children of Jacob: Seek ye me! in vain. I, the Lord, speak righteousness, I declare things that are right. Look unto me and be saved; for unto me every knee shall bow and every tongue shall vow.

XXIX.

(From Exodus xx.)

AND God spoke all these words, saying, I am the Lord thy God, which brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. Thou shalt have none other gods before me. Thou shalt not make unto thee a graven image, nor the likeness of any form that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth, to bow down thyself unto them, or serve them: for I the Lord, thy God, am a zealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children, upon the third and upon the fourth generation of them that hate me; and shewing mercy unto thousands of them that love me and keep my commandments. Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord, thy God, to swear falsely; for the Lord will not hold him guiltless that taketh His name to swear falsely. Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days shalt thou labor, and do all thy work: but the seventh day is a Sabbath unto the Lord thy God: in it thou shalt not do any work, thou. nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates: for in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day, and hallowed it.

Honor thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee. Thou shalt do no murder. Thou shalt

not commit adultery. Thou shalt not steal. Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor. Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's wife, nor his manservant, nor his maidservant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is thy neighbor's.

(From Jeremiah.)

THE word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord, saying, Stand in the gate of the Lord's house, and proclaim there this word, and say, Hear the word of the Lord, all ye of Judah, that enter in at these gates to worship the Lord. Amend your ways and your doings, and I will cause you to dwell in this place. Trust ye not in lying words, saying, The temple of the Lord, the temple of the Lord, the temple of the Lord is this. For if ye thoroughly amend your ways and your doings; if ye thoroughly execute judgment between a man and his neighbor; if ye oppress not the stranger, the fatherless, and the widow, and shed not innocent blood in this place, neither walk after other gods to your own hurt: then will I cause you to dwell in this place, in the land that I gave to your fathers, from of old even for evermore. Behold, ye trust in lying words, that cannot profit. Will ye steal, murder, and commit adultery, and swear falsely, and burn incense unto Baal, and walk after other gods whom ye have not known, and come and stand before me in this house, which is called by my name, and say, We are

delivered; that ye may do all these abominations? Is this house, which is called by my name, become a den of robbers in your eyes? Thus saith the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel: Add your burnt offerings unto your sacrifices, and eat ye flesh. But I spoke not unto your fathers, nor commanded them in the day that I brought them out of the land of Egypt, concerning burnt offerings or sacrifices: but this thing I commanded them, saying, Hearken unto my voice, and I will be your God, and ye shall be my people: and walk ye in all the way that I command you, that it may be well with you.

XXX.

(From Exodus xxiii.)

THOU shalt not take up a false report; put not thy hand with the wicked to be an unrighteous witness. Thou shalt not follow a multitude to do evil; neither shalt thou speak in a cause to turn aside after a multitude to wrest judgment: neither shalt thou favor a poor man in his cause. If thou meet thine enemy's ox or his ass going astray, thou shalt surely bring it back to him again. If thou see the ass of him that hateth thee lying under his burden, and wouldest forbear to help him, thou shalt surely help him. Thou shalt not wrest the judgment of thy poor in his cause. Keep thee far from a false matter; and the innocent and righteous slay thou not: for I will not justify the wicked. And thou shalt take no bribe, for a bribe blindeth those

that have sight, and perverteth the words of the righteous. A stranger shalt thou not oppress: for ye know the heart of a stranger, seeing ye were strangers in the land of Egypt.

Six years thou shalt sow thy land, and shalt gather in the increase thereof: but the seventh year thou shalt let it rest and lie fallow; that the poor of thy people may eat: and what they leave the beast of the field shall eat. In like manner thou shalt deal with thy vineyard, and with thy oliveyard. Six days thou shalt do thy work, and on the seventh day thou shalt rest: that thine ox and thine ass may have rest, and the son of thy handmaid, and the stranger, may be refreshed.

(From Ruth.)

AND Naomi had a kinsman of her husband's, a mighty man of wealth, of the family of Elimelech; and his name was Boaz. And Ruth, the Moabitess, said unto Naomi, Let me now go to the field, and glean among the ears of corn after him in whose sight I shall find grace. And she said unto her, Go, my daughter. And she went, and came and gleaned in the field after the reapers: and her hap was to light on the portion of the field belonging unto Boaz. And, behold, Boaz came from Bethlehem, and said unto the reapers, The Lord be with you. And they answered him, The Lord bless thee. Then said Boaz unto his servant that was set over the reapers, Whose damsel is this? And the servant

that was set over the reapers answered and said, It is the Moabitish damsel that came back with Naomi out of the country of Moab: and she said, Let me glean, I pray you, and gather after the reapers among the sheaves: so she came, and hath continued even from the morning until now, save that she tarried a little in the house. Then said Boaz unto Ruth, Hearest thou not, my daughter? Go not to glean in another field, neither pass from hence, but abide here fast by my maidens. Let thine eyes be on the field that they do reap, and go thou after them: have I not charged the young men that they shall not touch thee? and when thou art athirst, go unto the vessels, and drink of that which the young men have drawn. Then she fell on her face, and bowed herself to the ground, and said unto him, Why have I found grace in thy sight, that thou shouldest take knowledge of me, seeing I am a stranger? And Boaz answered and said unto her, It hath fully been shewed me, all that thou hast done unto thy mother-in-law since the death of thine husband: and how thou hast left thy father and thy mother, and the land of thy nativity, and art come unto a people which thou knewest not heretofore. The Lord recompense thy work, and a full reward be given thee of the Lord, the God of Israel, under whose wings thou art come to take refuge. Then she said, Let me find grace in thy sight, my lord; for that thou hast comforted me, and for that thou hast spoken kindly unto thine handmaid, though I be not as one of thine handmaidens.

XXXI.

(From Exodus xxxv. and xxxvi.)

AND Moses spoke unto the children of Israel, Take ye from among you an offering unto the Lord: whosoever is of a willing heart, let him bring it; gold, and silver, and brass; and blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine linen, and goats' hair; and rams' skins dyed red, and sealskins, and acacia wood; and oil for the light, and spices for the anointing oil, and for the sweet incense; and oynx stones, and stones to be set, for the ephod, and for the breastplate. And let every wise hearted man among you come, and make all that the Lord hath commanded. And they came, every one whose heart stirred him up, and every one whom his spirit made willing, and brought the Lord's offering, for the work of the tent of meeting, and for all the service thereof, and for the holy garments. And they brought brooches, and earrings, and signet-rings, and armlets, all jewels of gold. Every one that did offer an offering of silver and brass brought the Lord's offering; and every man with whom was found acacia wood for any work of the service brought it. And all the women that were wise hearted did spin with their hands, and brought that which they had spun. And they spoke unto Moses, saying, The people bring much more than enough for the service of the work, which the Lord commanded to make. And Moses gave commandment, and they caused it to be proclaimed throughout the camp, saying, Let neither man nor woman make any more work for the offer-

ing of the sanctuary. So the people were restrained from bringing. For the stuff they had was sufficient for all the work to make it, and too much.

(From I Kings.)

AND Solomon stood before the altar of the Lord in the presence of all Israel, and spread forth his hands toward heaven, and said, O Lord, God of Israel, there is no God like thee, in heaven above, or on earth beneath; who keepest covenant and mercy with thy servants, that walk before thee with all their heart. But will God in every deed dwell on the earth? behold heaven and the heaven of heavens cannot contain Thee: how much less this house that I have builded! Let have Thou respect unto the prayer of Thy servant, and to his supplication. If a man sin against his neighbor, and an oath be laid upon him to cause him to swear, and he come and swear before Thine altar in this house: then hear Thou in heaven, and judge Thy servants, condemning the wicked, to bring his way upon his own head; and justifying the righteous, to give him according to his righteousness. When Thy people be smitten down before the enemy, because they have sinned against Thee; if they turn again to Thee, and pray in this house: then hear Thou in heaven, and forgive the sin of Thy people Israel.

Moreover concerning a stranger, that is not of Thy people of Israel, but cometh out of a far country, for Thy name's sake: Hear Thou in heaven Thy dwell-

ing-place, and do according to all that the stranger calleth to Thee for: that all people of the earth may know Thy name, to fear Thee, as do Thy people Israel. Blessed be the Lord, that hath given rest to His people Israel, according to all that He promised: there hath not failed one word of all His good promise, which He promised by the hand of Moses, His servant. The Lord our God be with us, as He was with our fathers: let Him not leave us, nor forsake us: That He may incline our hearts unto Him, to walk in all His ways, and to keep His commandments, and His statutes, and His judgments, which He commanded our fathers.

XXXII.

(From Exodus xxviii.)

AND the Lord spoke to Moses: Bring thou near unto thee Aaron, thy brother, and his sons with him, from among the children of Israel, that he may minister unto Me in the priest's office, even Aaron, Nadab and Abihu, Eleazar and Ithamar. And thou shalt make holy garments for Aaron, for glory and for beauty. And thou shalt speak unto all that are wise-hearted, that they make Aaron's garments to sanctify him, that he may minister unto Me in the priest's office. These are the garments which they shall make: a breastplate, and an ephod, and a robe, and a coat of chequer work, a mitre, and a girdle; and they shall make holy garments for Aaron, thy brother, and his sons. And they shall make the

ephod of gold, of blue, and purple, scarlet, and fine twined linen, the work of the cunning workman. It shall have two shoulderpieces joined to the two ends thereof. And thou shalt take two oynx stones, and grave on them the names of the children of Israel: six of their names on the one stone, and the names of the six that remain on the other stone, according to their birth. With the work of an engraver in stone, like the engravings of a signet, shalt thou engrave the two stones, according to the names of the children of Israel: thou shalt make them to be inclosed in ouches of gold. And thou shalt put the two stones upon the shoulderpieces of the ephod, to be stones of memorial for the children of Israel: and Aaron shall bear their names before the Lord upon his two shoulders for a memorial.

(From Maleachi.)

A SON honoreth his father, and a servant his master: if then I be a father, where is mine honor? and if I be a master, where is my fear? saith the Lord of hosts unto you, O priests, that despise my name. From the rising of the sun even unto the going down of the same, my name shall be great among the peoples; and in every place incense shall be offered unto my name, and a pure offering: for my name shall be great among the heathen, saith the Lord of hosts. And ye shall know that I have sent this commandment unto you, that my covenant might be with the house of Levi. My covenant was

with Aaron, of life and peace; and I gave them to him for the fear wherewith he feared me. The law of truth was in his mouth, and iniquity was not found in his lips: he walked with me in peace and equity, and did turn many away from sin. For the priest's lips should keep knowledge, and they should seek the Law at his mouth; for he is the messenger of the Lord of hosts. Have we not all one father? hath not one God created us? why do we deal treacherously a man against his brother, profaning the covenant of our fathers? I am the Lord, I change not; therefore ye sons of Jacob are not consumed.

XXXIII.

(From Leviticus xix.)

YE shall be holy: for I the Lord your God am holy. Ye shall fear every man his mother, and his father, and ye shall keep my sabbaths: I am the Lord your God. Turn ye not unto idols, nor make to yourselves molten gods: I am the Lord your God. And when ye reap the harvest of your land, thou shalt not wholly reap the corners of thy field, neither shalt thou gather the gleaning of thy harvest. And thou shalt not glean thy vineyard, neither shalt thou gather the fallen fruit of thy vineyard; thou shalt leave them for the poor and for the stranger: I am the Lord your God. Ye shall not steal; neither shall ye deal falsely, nor lie one to another. And ye shall not swear by my name falsely, so that ye profane the name of God: Thou shalt not oppress thy

neighbor, nor rob him: the wages of a hired servant shall not abide with thee all night until the morning. Thou shalt not curse the deaf, nor put a stumbling-block before the blind, but thou shalt fear thy God. Ye shall do no unrighteousness in judgment: thou shalt not respect the person of the poor, nor honor the person of the mighty: but in righteousness shalt thou judge thy neighbor. Thou shalt not go up and down as a talebearer among thy people: neither shalt thou stand against the blood of thy neighbor: I am the Lord. Thou shalt not hate thy brother in thy heart: thou shalt surely admonish thy neighbor, and not bear sin because of him. But thou shalt not take vengeance, nor bear any grudge against the children of thy people, but thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself: I am the Lord.

(From Job.)

AND Job said, When the ear heard me, then it blessed me; and when the eye saw me, it gave witness unto me: because I delivered the poor that cried, the fatherless also, that had none to help him. The blessing of him that was ready to perish came upon me: and I caused the widow's heart to sing for joy. I put on righteousness, and it clothed me: my justice was as a robe and a diadem. I was eyes to the blind, and feet was I to the lame. I was a father to the needy: and the cause of him that I knew not I searched out. And I broke the jaws of the unrighteous, and plucked the prey out of his teeth. If I did

despise the cause of my manservant or of my maid-servant, when they contended with me: what then shall I do when God riseth up? And when He visiteth, what shall I answer Him? Did not He that made me, make him? And did not one fashion us both? Or have I eaten my morsel myself alone, and the fatherless hath not eaten thereof? Nay from my youth he was brought up with me, as with a father, and I have guided her from my mother's lap. If I have lifted up my hand against the fatherless, because I saw my help in the gate: then let my shoulder fall from the shoulder blade, and mine arm be broken from the bone. Destruction from God would be terror to me, and by reason of His holiness I could not endure.

XXXIV.

(From Leviticus xxiii.)

THESE are the feasts of the Lord, holy convocations, which ye shall proclaim in their seasons. In the fourteenth day of the first month at even is the Lord's passover; on the fifteenth day of the same month is the feast of unleavened bread to the Lord: seven days ye must eat unleavened bread. In the first day ye shall have a holy convocation: ye shall offer an offering made by fire to the Lord seven days: also in the seventh day is a holy convocation: ye shall do no servile work therein; when ye shall reap the harvest then ye shall bring the first fruits of your harvest to the priest; he shall wave the sheaf before the Lord, to be accepted for you: on the morrow after

the sabbath the priest shall wave it. Ye shall eat neither bread, nor parched corn, nor green ears, until the selfsame day that ye have brought an offering to your God: it shall be a statute for ever throughout your generations in all your dwellings. And ye shall count to you from the morrow after the sabbath, from the day that ye brought the sheaf of the wave offering; seven sabbaths shall be complete: even to the morrow after the seventh sabbath shall ye number fifty days; and ye shall offer a new meat offering to the Lord. And when ye reap the harvest of your land, thou shalt not make clean riddance of the corners of thy field neither shalt thou gather any gleaning of thy harvest: thou shalt leave them to the poor and to the stranger: I am the Lord your God.

(From Ezra and Nehemiah.)

IN the first year of Cyrus, king of Persia (that the word of the Lord by the mouth of Jeremiah might be fulfilled), his heart was stirred up that he made proclamation and put it also in writing in the archives, saying: The Lord, God of heaven, hath given me all the kingdoms of the earth and He hath charged me to build Him a house at Jerusalem, in Judah.

Who is there among you of all His people? His God be with him and let him go up to Jerusalem and build the house of the God of Israel. And whosoever in any place where he sojourneth shall go with the others, let the men of his place help him with silver and with gold and with goods and with cattle and

other freewill offerings for the house of God. Then rose up the heads of the houses of Judah and Benjamin and the priests and the Levites, even all whose spirit was stirred to go up to build the house of the Lord. And all they that were round about them strengthened their hands. Also Cyrus the king brought forth the vessels of the house of the Lord which Nebuchadnezzar had taken from Jerusalem and had put them in the house of his gods, and numbered them unto Sheshbazzar, the prince of Judah; and the heads of father's houses, when they came to Jerusalem offered willingly for the house of God to set it up in its place. So the people dwelt again in their cities; and they builded the altar of the God of Israel, to offer burnt offerings thereon as it is written in the Law of Moses, the man of God. And they offered morning and evening, and kept the feast of tabernacles; also the offerings of the new moons; and the set feasts of the Lord were consecrated; the priests were set in their apparel with trumpets, the Levites, the sons of Assaph, with cymbals to praise the Lord after the order of David, king of Israel. And they sang one to another in praising and giving thanks to the Lord.

XXXV.

(From Leviticus xxiii.)

IN the seventh month, in the first day, shall ye have a sabbath, a memorial of blowing of the shopharhorn, a holy convocation. Ye shall do no

servile work therein. Also on the tenth day of this seventh month there shall be a day of atonement: it shall be a holy convocation to you; ye shall afflict your sould, and offer an offering made by fire to the Lord. Ye shall do no work in that same day; for it is a day to make an atonement for you before the Lord your God. It shall be to you a sabbath to afflict your souls: from even to even shall ye celebrate that sabbath. And the fifteenth day of this seventh month shall be the feast of tabernacles for seven days to the Lord. On the first day shall be a holy convocation: ye shall do no servile work therein; and on the eighth day shall be a holy convocation to you, ye shall offer an offering made by fire to the Lord: it is a solemn assembly; and ye shall do no servile work therein. Ye shall take you on the first day the fruits of the citron tree, branches of the palm tree, boughs of the myrtle tree and willows of the brook and with them shall ye rejoice before the Lord your God seven days each year. Ye shall likewise dwell in booths seven days, all the homeborn in Israel shall do this that your generations may know and remember that I made the children of Israel to dwell in booths when I brought them out of the land of Egypt.

(From Nehemiah.)

AND all the people gathered themselves together as one man; they spoke unto Ezra, the scribe, to bring the book of the Law of Moses, which the Lord had commanded to Israel. And Ezra brought the

Law before the congregation upon the first day of the seventh month. And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, and all the people stood up: And Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God. And all the people answered, Amen, Amen, with lifting up their hands: and they bowed their heads, and worshiped the Lord with their faces to the ground. Then he said unto them, Go your way, eat the fat, and drink the sweet, and send portions unto those for whom nothing is prepared: for this day is holy unto our Lord; neither be ye sorry; for the joy of the Lord is your strength.

And all the people went their way to eat, and to drink, and to send portions, and to make great mirth, because they had understood the words that were declared unto them. And on the second day were gathered together the chief of the fathers of all the people, the priests, and the Levites, unto Ezra, the scribe, even to understand the words of the Law. And they found written in the Law, that the children of Israel should dwell in booths in the feast of the seventh month: They published in all their cities, saying, Go forth unto the mount, and fetch olive branches, and pine branches, and myrtle branches, and palm branches, and branches of thick trees, to make booths, as it is written. So the people went forth, and brought them, and made themselves booths, every one upon the roof of his house, and in their courts, and in the courts of the house of God. Also day by day, from the first day unto the last day, he read in the book of the law of God. And

they kept the feast seven days; and on the eighth day was a solemn assembly, according unto the manner.

XXXVI.

(From Leviticus xxv.)

AND the Lord spoke unto Moses in mount Sinai, saying, Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, When ye come into the land which I give you, then shall the land keep a sabbath unto the Lord. Six years thou shalt sow thy field, and six years thou shalt prune thy vineyard, and gather in the fruits thereof; but in the seventh year shall be a sabbath of solemn rest for the land, a sabbath unto the Lord: thou shalt neither sow thy field, nor prune thy vineyard. That which groweth of itself of thy harvest thou shalt not reap, and the grapes of thy undressed vine thou shalt not gather: it shall be a year of solemn rest for the land. And thou shalt number seven sabbaths of years unto thee, even forty and nine years. Then shalt thou send abroad the loud trumpet in the day of atonement throughout all your land. And ye shall hallow the fiftieth year, and proclaim liberty throughout the land unto all the inhabitants thereof; it shall be a jubilee unto you; and ye shall return every man unto his possession, every man unto his family. And if thy brother be waxen poor with thee, and sell himself unto thee; thou shalt not make him to serve as a bond-servant: as an hired servant, and as a sojourner, he shall be with thee; he shall serve with thee unto the

year of jubilee: then shall he go out from thee, he and his children with him, and shall return unto his own family, and unto the possession of his fathers shall he return. For they are my servants, which I brought forth out of the land of Egypt: they shall not be sold as bondmen. Thou shalt not rule over him with rigor; but shalt fear thy God.

(From Nehemiah.)

THERE was a great cry of the people and of their wives against their brethren. We, our sons, and our daughters, are many: therefore, we take up corn for them, that we may eat, and live. We have given in pledge our lands, vineyards, and houses, that we may buy corn, because of the dearth. We have borrowed money for the king's tribute, and that upon our lands and vineyards. Yet now our flesh is as the flesh of our brethren, our children, as their children: and lo, we bring into bondage our sons and our daughters to be servants, and some of our daughters are brought into bondage already: neither is it in our power to redeem them; for other men have our lands and vineyards. Then I consulted with myself, and I rebuked the nobles, and the rulers, and said unto them, Ye exact usury, every one of his brother. And I set a great assembly against them.

And I said unto them, We, after our ability, have redeemed our brethren the Jews, which were sold unto the heathen; and will ye even sell your breth-

ren? or shall they be sold unto us? Then held they their peace, and found nothing to answer. Restore, I pray you, to them, even this day, their lands, their vineyards, their oliveyards, and their houses, also the hundredth part of the money, and of the corn, the wine, and the oil, that ye exact of them. Then said they, We will restore them, and will require nothing of them; so will we do as thou sayest. Then I called the priests and took an oath of them, that they should do according to this promise. Also I shook my lap, and said, So God shake out every man from his house, and from his ground, that performeth not this promise, even thus be he shaken out, and emptied. And all the congregation said, Amen, and praised the Lord. And the people did according to this promise.

XXXVII.

(From Leviticus xxiv, xxv.)

AND the Lord spoke unto Moses, saying, Command the children of Israel, that they bring unto thee pure oil of olive beaten for the light, to cause the lamps to burn continually. Without the vail of the testimony, in the tabernacle of the congregation, shall Aaron order it from the evening unto the morning before the Lord continually: it shall be a statute for ever in your generations. And thou shalt take fine flour, and bake twelve cakes thereof; two tenth deals shall be in one cake. And thou shalt set them in two rows, six on a row, upon the pure

table before the Lord. And thou shalt put pure frankincense upon each row, that it may be on the bread for a memorial, even an offering made by fire unto the Lord. Every sabbath it shall be set in order before the Lord continually; it is on behalf of the children of Israel an everlasting covenant. And it shall be Aaron's and his sons'; and they shall eat it in the holy place: for it is most holy unto him of the offerings of the Lord made by fire, by a perpetual statute. If thy brother be waxen poor, and fallen in decay with thee; then thou shalt relieve him: yea, though he be a stranger, or a sojourner, that he may live with thee. Take thou no usury of him, but fear thy God; thou shalt not give thy money upon usury, nor lend him thy victuals for increase of gain. And if thy brother that dwelleth by thee be waxen poor, and be sold unto thee; thou shalt not compel him to serve as a bondservant: but as a hired servant, and as a sojourner, he shall be with thee, and shall serve thee unto the year of jubilee: and then shall he depart from thee, both he and his children with him, and shall return unto his own family, and unto the possession of his fathers shall he return.

(From Isaiah.)

IS not this the fast that I have chosen? to loose the the bands of wickedness, to undo the heavy burdens, and to let the oppressed go free, and that ye break every yoke? To deal thy bread to the hungry, and bring the poor that are cast out to thy house?

when thou seest the naked, that thou cover them; and that thou hide not thyself from thine own flesh? Then shall thy light break forth as the morning, and thy health shall spring forth speedily: thy righteousness shall go before thee; the glory of the Lord shall be thy reward. Then shalt thou call, and the Lord shall answer; thou shalt cry and He shall say, Here I am. If thou take away from the midst of thee the yoke, the putting forth of the finger, and speaking vanity; and if thou draw out thy soul to the hungry, and satisfy the afflicted soul; then shall thy light rise in obscurity, and thy darkness be as the noonday: and they that shall be of thee shall build the old waste places: and raise up the foundations of many generations; and thou shalt be called, The repairer of the breach, The restorer of paths to dwell in. If thou turn away thy foot from the sabbath, from doing thy pleasure on my holy day; and call the sabbath a delight, the holy of the Lord, honorable; and shalt honor him, not doing thine own ways, nor finding thine own pleasure, nor speaking vain words: Then shalt thou delight thyself in the Lord; and I will cause thee to ride upon the high places of the earth, and feed thee with the heritage of Jacob thy father: for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it.

XXXVIII.

(From Numbers xi.)

AND the Lord said unto Moses, Gather unto me seventy men of the elders of Israel, whom thou

knowest to be officers over them; and bring them unto the tent of meeting, that they may stand there with thee. And I will take of the spirit which is upon thee, and will put it upon them; and they shall bear the burden of the people with thee, that thou bear it not thyself alone. And the Lord said unto Moses, Is the Lord's hand waxed short? now shalt thou see whether my word shall come to pass unto thee or not. And Moses went out, and told the people the words of the Lord: and he gathered seventy men of the elders of the people, and set them round about the tent. And the Lord came down in the cloud, and spoke unto him, and took of the spirit that was upon him, and put it upon the seventy elders: and it came to pass, that, when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied, but they did so no more. But there remained two men in the camp, the name of the one was Eldad, and the name of the other Medad: and the spirit rested upon them; and were of those that were written, but had not gone out unto the tent: and they prophesied in the camp. And there ran a young man, and told Moses, and said, Eldad and Medad do prophesy in the camp. And Joshua the son of Nun, the minister of Moses, one of his chosen men from his youth, answered and said, My lord Moses, forbid them. And Moses said unto him, Art thou jealous for my sake? would God that all the Lord's people were prophets, that the Lord would put his spirit upon them!

(From Isaiah.)

THE spirit of the Lord God is upon me; because the Lord hath anointed me to preach good tidings unto the meek; he hath sent me to bind up the broken-hearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to those that are bound; to proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord, and the day of recompense of our God to comfort all that mourn; to appoint unto those that mourn in Zion, beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; that they might be called Trees of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, that He might be glorified. And they shall build the old wastes, they shall raise up the former desolations, and they shall repair the waste cities, the desolations of many generations. And their offspring shall be known among the peoples; all that see them shall acknowledge, that they are the offspring which the Lord hath blessed. Therefore will I greatly rejoice in the Lord, my soul shall be joyful in my God; for He hath clothed me with the garments of salvation, he hath covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decketh himself with ornaments, and as a bride adorneth herself with her jewels. For as the earth bringeth forth her bud, and as the garden causeth the things that are sown in it to spring forth; so the Lord God will cause righteousness and praise to spring forth before all the nations.

XXXIX.

(From Numbers xx.)

THE children of Israel came into the desert of Zin in the first month: and abode in Kadesh; and Miriam died there, and was buried there. And there was no water for the congregation; and they assembled themselves together against Moses and against Aaron, and strove with Moses, saying, Would God that we had died when our brethren died before the Lord! Why have ye brought the assembly of the Lord into this desert that we should die there, we and our cattle? And wherefore have ye made us to come out of Egypt, to bring us to this evil place? it is no place of seed, or of figs, or of vines, or of pomegranates; neither is there any water to drink. And Moses and Aaron went from the presence of the assembly unto the door of the tent of meeting, and fell upon their faces: and the glory of the Lord appeared unto them. And the Lord spoke unto Moses, saying, Take the rod, and assemble the congregation, thou, and Aaron, thy brother, and speak ye unto the rock before their eyes, that it give forth its water; and thou shalt bring forth to them water out of the rock. And Moses took the rod from before the Lord, as He commanded him. And Moses and Aaron gathered the assembly together before the rock, and said unto them, Hear now, ye rebels; shall we bring you forth water out of this rock? And Moses smote the rock with his rod twice: and water came forth abundantly, and the congregation drank, and their cattle. But the Lord said unto Moses and Aaron,

Because ye believed not in Me, to sanctify Me in the eyes of the children of Israel, therefore ye shall not bring this assembly into the land which I have given them. These are the waters of strife, because the children of Israel strove with the Lord, and He was sanctified in them.

(Selected.)

O HOW great is the joy caused by the right use of the tongue, and a word in season — how precious is it! It is like an apple of gold in a basket of silver. As an earring of gold and an ornament of fine gold — so is the word of wise reproval upon an obedient ear. Whoso guardeth his mouth and his tongue keepeth his soul from much trouble.

One who is slow to anger than the man of great bodily strength and he that ruleth over his own spirit is mightier that the conqueror of cities.

Enter not, O God, into judgment with Thy servant, for in Thy sight shall no man living be justified. For there is not a just man upon earth that doeth good and sinneth not. If Thou shouldest strictly mark our sins, O Lord, who would be able to stand before Thee? Who understandeth his errors? cleanse Thou me, O God, from secret faults! Keep back Thy servant from presumptuous sins, let them not have dominion over me. Then shall I be upright and innocent of great transgressions.

All we, like sheep, have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way—and the Lord hath

laid on him the iniquity of us all. He hath borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we did esteem him smitten of God and afflicted. But he was wounded for our transgression, he was bruised for our iniquities, the chastisement of our peace was upon him and with his striper we were healed.

XL.

(From Numbers xx.)

AND Moses sent messengers from Kadesh unto the king of Edom, Thus saith thy brother Israel, Thou knowest all the travail that hath befallen us. Let us pass, I pray thee, through thy country: we will not pass through the fields, or through the vineyards, neither will we drink of the water of the wells: we will go by the king's high way, we will not turn to the right hand nor to the left, until we have passed thy borders. If I and my cattle drink of thy water, then I will pay for it: I will only, without doing any thing else, go through on my feet. And he said, Thou shalt not go through. And Edom came out against him with much people, and with a strong hand. Thus Edom refused to give Israel passage through his border: wherefore Israel turned away from him. And the children of Israel, even the whole congregation, journeyed from Kadesh, and came unto Mount Hor. And the Lord spoke unto Moses and Aaron in Mount Hor, by the coast of the land of Edom, saying, Aaron shall be gathered unto his people: for he shall not enter into the land which I

have given unto the children of Israel, because ye rebelled against my word at the water of Strife. Take Aaron and Eleazar his son, and bring them up unto Mount Hor: and strip Aaron of his garments, and put them upon Eleazar his son: and Aaron shall be gathered unto his people, and shall die there. And Moses did as the Lord commanded: and they went up into Mount Hor in the sight of all the congregation. And Moses stripped Aaron of his garments, and put them upon Eleazar his son; and Aaron died there in the top of the mount: and Moses and Eleazar came down from the mount. And when all the congregation saw that Aaron was dead, they mourned for Aaron thirty days, even all the house of Israel.

(From Ecclesiastes.)

TO every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven: a time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up that which is planted; a time to kill, and a time to heal; a time to break down, and a time to build up; a time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance; a time to cast away stones, and a time to gather stones together; a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing; a time to get, and a time to lose; a time to keep, and a time to cast away; a time to rend, and a time to sew; a time to keep silence, and a time to speak; a time to love, and a time to hate; a time of war, and a time of peace. What profit hath he that worketh

in that wherein he laboreth? I have seen the travail, which God hath given to the sons of men to be exercised in it. He hath made every thing beautiful in his time: also He hath set the world in their heart, so that no man can find out the work that God maketh from the beginning to the end. I know that there is no good in them, but for a man to rejoice, and to do good in his life. And also that every man should eat and drink, and enjoy the good of all his labor, it is the gift of God. I know that, whatsoever God doeth, it shall be for ever: nothing can be put to it, nor any thing taken from it: and God doeth it, that men should fear before him.

XLI.

(From Numbers xxii and xxiii.)

AND Balaam took up his parable, and said: From Aram hath Balak brought me, the king of Moab from the mountains of the east: come, curse me, Jacob, and come, defy Israel. How shall I curse, whom God hath not cursed? and how shall I defy, whom the Lord hath not defied? for from the top of the rocks I see him, and from the hills I behold him: lo, it is a people that dwell alone, and shall not be reckoned among the nations. Let me die the death of the righteous, and let my last end be like His! God is not a man, that He should lie; neither the son of man, that He should repent: hath He said, and shall He not do it? or hath He spoken, and shall He not make it good? Behold, I

have received commandment to bless: and I cannot reverse it. He hath not beheld iniquity in Jacob, neither hath He seen perverseness in Israel: the Lord His God is with Him, and the shout of a king is among them. How goodly are thy tents, O Jacob, thy tabernacles, O Israel! As valleys are they spread forth, as gardens by the river side, as lign-aloes which the Lord hath planted, as cedar trees beside the waters.

(From Isaiah.)

ALL thy children, O Israel, shall be taught of the Lord; and great shall be the peace of thy children. In righteousness shalt thou be established: thou shalt be far from oppression; for thou shalt not fear: and from terror; for it shall not come near thee. No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper; and every tongue that shall rise against thee in judgment thou shalt condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the Lord, and their righteousness is of me, saith the Lord.

Ho, every one that thirsteth, come ye to the waters, and he that hath no money; come ye, buy, and eat; yea, come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Wherefore do ye spend your money for that which is not bread? and your labor for that which satisfieth not? hearken diligently unto me, and eat ye that which is good, and let your soul delight itself in abundance. Behold, thou shalt call a nation that thou knowest not, and nations that knew not thee shall run unto thee, because of the

Lord thy God, and for the Holy One of Israel: for He hath glorified thee. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways; but as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts. Ye shall go out with joy, and be led forth with peace: the mountains and the hills shall break forth before you into singing, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands. Instead of the thorn shall come up the fir tree; and instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle tree: and it shall be to the Lord for a name, for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.

XLII.

(From Numbers xvii.)

THE Lord spoke unto Moses, saying, Speak unto the children of Israel, and take rods according to the house of their fathers, of all their princes, twelve rods: write thou every man's name upon his rod. And thou shalt write Aaron's name upon the rod of Levi: for one rod shall be for the head of the house of their fathers. And thou shalt lay them up in the tabernacle of the congregation before the testimony, where I will meet with you. And it shall come to pass, that the man's rod, whom I choose, shall blossom: and I will make to cease from me the murmurings of the children of Israel, whereby they murmur against you. And Moses spoke unto the children of Israel, and every one of their princes

gave him a rod apiece, for each prince one, according to their fathers' houses, even twelve rods: and the rod of Aaron was among their rods.

And Moses laid up the rods before the Lord in the tabernacle of witness. And on the morrow Moses went into the tabernacle of assembly; and, behold, the rod of Aaron for the house of Levi was budded; it bloomed blossoms, and yielded almonds. And Moses brought out all the rods from before the Lord unto all the children of Israel: and they looked, and took every man his rod. And the Lord said unto Moses, Bring Aaron's rod again before the testimony, to be kept for a token against the rebels; and thou shalt quite take away their murmurings from me.

(From I Chronicles, xxviii.)

DAVID assembled all the princes and captains and said, Hear me, my brethren, and my people: I had in my heart to build a house of rest for the Ark of the Covenant of the Lord, and had made ready for the building. But God said unto me: thou shalt not build a house for my Name, because thou hast been a man of war and hast shed blood. Solomon, thy son, he shall build my house and my courts; for I have chosen him to be my son, and I will be his father. Now, therefore, in the sight of all Israel, the congregation of the Lord, and in the audience of our God, keep, and seek for all the commandments of the Lord, your God, and leave it for an inheritance for your children after you for

ever. And thou, Solomon my son, know thou the God of thy father, and serve Him with a perfect heart, and with a willing mind: for the Lord searcheth all hearts, and understandeth all the imaginations of the thoughts: if thou seek Him, He will be found of thee, but if thou forsake Him, He will cast thee off for ever.

But who am I, and what is my people, that we should be able to offer so willingly after this sort? for all things come of Thee, O God, and of Thine own have we given Thee. And we are strangers before Thee, and sojourners, as were all our fathers: our days on the earth are as a shadow, and there is none abiding. I know also, my God, that Thou triest the heart, and hast pleasure in uprightness. O Lord God of Abraham, Isaac and of Israel, our fathers, keep this for ever in the thoughts of Thy people, and prepare their heart unto Thee: and give to Solomon, my son, a perfect heart to keep Thy commandments, Thy testimonies, and Thy statutes, to build the temple for which I have made provision. And David said to all the congregation: Now bless the Lord your God. And all the congregation blessed the Lord God of their fathers, and bowed down their heads, and worshiped the Lord.

XLIII.

(From Numbers xxxii.)

NOW the children of Reuben and of Gad had a very great multitude of cattle; and when they

saw the land of Jazer, and the land of Gilead, that the place was a place for cattle; they spoke to Moses, and to Eleazar, the priest, and the princes of the congregation, saying, The country which the Lord delivered to Israel, is a land for cattle, and thy servants have cattle: wherefore, if we have found grace in thy sight, let this land be given unto thy servants for a possession, and bring us not over Jordan. And Moses said to the children of Gad and of Reuben, Shall your brethren go to war, and shall ye sit here? Wherefore discourage ye the heart of the children of Israel from going into the land which the Lord hath given them? And they came near unto him, and said, We will build sheepfolds here for our cattle, and cities for our little ones: but we ourselves will go ready armed before the children of Israel, until we have brought them unto their place: and our little ones shall dwell in the fenced cities, because of the inhabitants of the land. We will not return unto our houses, until the children of Israel have inherited every man his inheritance: for we will not inherit with them on yonder side Jordan, or forward; because our inheritance is fallen to us on this side Jordan eastward. And Moses said unto them, If ye will go armed before the Lord to war, and the land be subdued, afterward ye shall return, and be guiltless before the Lord, and before Israel; and this land shall be your possession before the Lord.

(From Joshua xxii.)

THEN Joshua called the Reubenites, and the Gadites, and the half tribe of Manasseh, and said unto them, Ye have kept all that Moses, the servant of the Lord, commanded you, and have hearkened unto my voice in all that I commanded you: ye have not left your brethren these many days unto this day. And now the Lord, your God, hath given rest unto your brethren: therefore now turn ye, and get you unto your tents, unto the land of your possession, beyond Jordan. Joshua blessed them, and sent them away: and they went unto their tents. And when they came unto the region about Jordan, they built there an altar by Jordan, a great altar to see to. And when Israel heard of it, they gathered themselves together at Shiloh, to go up against them to war. They sent into the land of Gilead Pinchas and ten princes with him, that they should say: What trespass is this that ye have committed, to turn away this day from following the Lord in that ye have builded you an altar? How be it, if the land of your possession be unclean, then pass ye over unto the land wherein the Lord's tabernacle dwelleth, and take possession among us: but rebel not against the Lord, nor against us, in building you an altar besides the altar of the Lord, our God.

Then the children of Reuben, Gad and Manasseh answered, The Lord, the God of gods, He knoweth, and Israel shall know, if we have built the altar to turn away from God, then let God Himself require

it. We have rather out of carefulness done this, and of purpose, saying, In time to come your children might speak unto our children, saying, What have ye to do with the Lord, the God of Israel? for the Lord hath made Jordan a border between us and you: so shall your children make our children cease from serving the Lord. Therefore we said, Let us now prepare to build us an altar, not for burnt-offering, nor for sacrifice: but it shall be a witness between us and you, and between our generations after us. And when Pinchas and the princes heard these words, they were well pleased and returned an answer of peace to those who sent them.

XLIV.

(From Deuteronomy iii and iv.)

AND Moses said to the children of Israel: I besought the Lord at that time, saying, O Lord God, Thou hast begun to shew Thy servant Thy greatness, and Thy strong hand: for what God is there in heaven or in earth, that can do according to Thy works, and according to Thy mighty acts? Let me go over, I pray thee, and see the good land that is beyond Jordan, that goodly mountain, and Lebanon. But the Lord was wroth with me for your sake, and hearkened not unto me: and the Lord said unto me, Let it suffice thee; speak no more unto me of this matter. Get thee up into the top of Pisgah, and lift up thine eyes westward. and northward, and southward, and eastward, and behold

with thine eyes: for thou shalt not go over this Jordan.

Behold, I have taught you statutes and judgments, even as the Lord my God commanded me. Keep and do them: for this is your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the peoples, which shall hear all these statutes, and say, Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people. For what nation is there that hath a God so nigh unto them, as the Lord, our God, is whensoever we call upon Him? And what great nation is there, that hath statutes and judgments so righteous as all this law, which I set before you this day? Only take heed to thyself, and keep thy soul diligently, lest thou forget the things which thine eyes saw, and lest they depart from thy heart, all the days of thy life; but make them known unto thy children and thy children's children.

(From I Kings.)

IN Gibeon the Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream, saying, Ask what I shall give thee. And Solomon said, Thou hast shewed unto Thy servant David, my father, great kindness, according as he walked before Thee in truth, and in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart, and Thou hast kept for him this great kindness, that Thou hast given him a son to sit on his throne. And now, O Lord my God, Thou hast made Thy servant king after David, my father: and I am but a young man, I know not how

to go out or come in. And Thy servant is in the midst of Thy people which Thou hast chosen, a great people for multitude. Give Thy servant, therefore, an understanding heart to judge Thy people, that I may discern between good and evil.

And the speech pleased the Lord, that Solomon had asked this thing. And God said unto him, Because thou hast asked this thing, and hast not asked for thyself long life; neither hast asked riches for thyself, nor hast asked the life of thine enemies; but hast asked for thyself understanding to discern judgment; behold, I have done according to thy word: lo, I have given thee a wise and an understanding heart; so that there hath been none like thee before thee, neither after thee shall any arise like unto thee. And I have also given thee that which thou hast not asked, both riches and honor, so that there shall not be any among the kings like unto thee, all thy days.

XLV.

(From Deuteronomy iv.)

WHEN you shall have been long in the land, and shall corrupt yourselves, and make a graven image in the form of any thing, and do that which is evil in the sight of the Lord, thy God, I call heaven and earth to witness against you this day, that ye shall soon utterly perish from off the land whereunto ye go over Jordan to possess it. And the Lord shall scatter you among the peoples, and

ye shall be left few in number among the nations, whither the Lord shall lead you away. But if from thence thou shalt seek the Lord, thou shalt find Him, if thou search after Him with all thy heart and with all thy soul.

When thou art in tribulation, and all these things are come upon thee, in the latter days thou shalt return to the Lord, thy God, and hearken unto His voice: for the Lord, thy God, is a merciful God; He will not fail thee, neither destroy thee, nor forget the covenant of thy fathers.

Unto thee it was shewed, that thou mightest know that the Lord He is God; there is none else beside Him.

(From Isaiah.)

I WILL sing for my well-beloved the song touching his vineyard. My well beloved had a vineyard on the top of a very fruitful hill; and he digged a trench about it and gathered out the stones thereof and planted it with the choicest vines; he built a watchtower in the midst of it and hewed in the rocks a vine-press; so he looked that it should bring forth grapes, but alas he found only wild grapes. And now, O inhabitants of Jerusalem and men of Judah, judge, I pray ye, betwixt me and my vineyard, says my well-beloved. What could have been done more to my vineyard that I have not done in it? Wherefore, when I hoped it would bring forth good grapes, brought it forth wild grapes? And now,

I will tell you what I will do unto my vineyard; I will break down the fence thereof that it shall be trodden down by the feet of men; I will take away the hedge thereof and it shall be eaten up by beasts. It shall lay waste because it shall not be pruned nor hoed; briars and thorns shall come up in it; and the clouds I will command not to rain upon it. The vineyard of God is the house of Israel and the men of Judah the planting of His delight; He looked for judgment and behold oppression; for righteousness and behold bitter outcry. Therefore my people go into captivity from lack of knowledge; their most honored men are famished; the multitude is parched with thirst and the nation's pomp and glory sink to the earth.

XLVI.

(From Deuteronomy viii.)

THOU shalt remember all the way which the Lord thy God hath led thee these forty years in the wilderness, that He might humble thee, to prove thee, to know what was in thy heart, whether thou wouldest keep His commandments, or no. And He suffered thee to hunger, and fed thee with manna, which thou knewest not, neither did thy fathers know; that He might make thee know that man doth not live by bread only, but by every thing that proceedeth out of the mouth of the Lord doth man live. Thou shalt consider in thy heart, that, as a man chasteneth his son, so the Lord, thy God, chasteneth thee. Now the

Lord, thy God, bringeth thee into a good land, a land of brooks of water, of fountains and depths, springing forth in valleys and hills; a land of wheat and barley, and vines and fig-trees and pomegranates; a land of oil olives and honey; a land wherein thou shalt eat bread without scarceness, thou shalt not lack any thing in it. Beware lest thou forget the Lord, thy God: lest, when thou hast eaten and art full, and hast built goodly houses, and dwelt therein; and when thy herds and thy flocks multiply, and thy silver and thy gold is multiplied, then thy heart be lifted up, and thou say, My power and the might of my hand hath gotten me this wealth. But thou shalt remember the Lord, thy God: for it is He that giveth thee power to get wealth, that He may establish His covenant which He promised unto thy fathers, as it is this day.

(From Job)

AND Job said: If I have made gold my hope, and have said to the fine gold, Thou art my confidence; if I rejoiced because my wealth was great, and because my hand had gotten much; if I beheld the sun when it shined, or the moon walking in brightness; and my heart hath been secretly enticed, and my mouth hath kissed my hand: this also were an iniquity to be punished by God: for I should have lied to Him that is above. If I rejoiced at the destruction of him that hated me, or lifted up myself when evil found him; if I suffered my mouth to sin by asking His life with a curse;

if the men of my tent said not, who can find one that hath not been satisfied with his flesh? The stranger did not lodge in the street; but I opened my doors to the traveler. If my land cry out against me, because I have eaten the fruits thereof without money, or have caused the owners thereof to lose their life: let thistles grow instead of wheat, and thorns instead of fruit.

XLVII.

(From Deuteronomy xviii.)

THERE shall not be found among you any one that maketh his son or his daughter to pass through the fire, or that useth divination, or an observer of times, or an enchanter, or a witch, or a charmer, or a consulter with familiar spirits, or a wizard, or a necromancer. Thou shalt be perfect with the Lord, thy God. For these nations, which thou shalt possess, hearkened unto observers of times, and unto diviners; but as for thee, the Lord, thy God, doth not suffer thee so to do. He will raise up unto thee a prophet from the midst of thee, of thy brethren, like unto me; to him ye shall hearken; according to all that thou desiredst of the Lord, thy God, in Horeb, in the day of the assembly, saying, Let me not hear again the voice of the Lord, neither let me see this great fire any more, that I die not. And the Lord said unto me, They have well spoken. I will raise them up a prophet from among their brethren, like unto thee, and will put

my words in his mouth; and he shall speak unto them all that I shall command him. And it shall come to pass, that whosoever will not hearken unto my words which he shall speak in my name, I will require it of him. But the prophet, who shall presume to speak a word in my name, which I have not commanded him to speak, or that shall speak in the name of other gods, even that prophet shall die.

(From Jeremiah.)

STAND in the court of the Lord's house, and speak unto all the cities of Judah, which come to worship in the Lord's house, all the words that I command thee to speak unto them; diminish not a word. If ye will not hearken to me, to walk in my law, which I have set before you, then will I make this house like Shiloh, and will make the city a bye-word to all the nations of the earth. When Jeremiah had made an end of speaking, the priests and the prophets and all the people took him, saying, Thou shalt surely die. Why hast thou prophesied in the name of the Lord, saying, This house shall lie waste like Shiloh, and this city shall be desolate without an inhabitant? When the princes of Judah heard these things, they came up from the king's house, to the house of the Lord, and sat down in the entry of the new gate. Then spoke the priests and the prophets unto the princes and all the people, saying, This man is worthy to die; for he hath prophesied against this city, as ye have heard with your ears. Then spoke

Jeremiah: The Lord sent me to prophesy against this house and against this city all the words that ye have heard. Now amend your ways and your doings, and obey the voice of the Lord, your God; and the Lord will repent him of the evil that He hath pronounced against you. As for me, behold, I am in your hand: do with me as seemeth good and meet unto you. But know ye for certain, that if ye put me to death, ye shall surely bring innocent blood upon yourselves, and upon this city, and upon the inhabitants thereof: for of a truth the Lord hath sent me unto you to speak all these words in your ears. Then said the princes, This man is not worthy to die: for he hath spoken to us in the name of the Lord, our God, and the hand of Ahikam the son of Shaphan was with Jeremiah, that they should not give him into the hand of the people to put him to death.

XLVIII.

(From Deuteronomy xx and xxi.)

WHEN ye draw nigh unto the battle, that the priest shall approach and speak unto the people, Hear, O Israel, ye draw nigh this day unto battle against your enemies: let not your heart faint; fear not, nor tremble, neither be ye affrighted at them; for the Lord, your God, is with you, to save you.

If one be found slain in the land, lying in the field, and it be not known who hath slain him: then thy elders and thy judges shall come forth, and they shall measure unto the cities which are round

about him that is slain: and that city which is next unto the slain man, even the elders of that city shall take a heifer, which hath not been wrought with, and which hath not drawn in the yoke; and bring down the heifer unto a valley with running water, which is neither plowed nor sown, and shall break the heifer's neck there in the valley: and the priests shall come near; and all the elders shall wash their hands over the heifer whose neck is broken in the valley: and they shall say, Our hands have not shed this blood, neither have our eyes seen it. Forgive, O Lord, Thy people Israel, whom Thou hast redeemed, and suffer not innocent blood to remain in the midst of Thy people Israel.

(From Micah.)

IN the latter days the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established above the mountains, and be exalted above the hills; and peoples shall flow to it. Many nations shall go and say, Come ye, and let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, and to the house of the God of Jacob; and He will teach us of His ways, and we will walk in His paths: for out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. And He shall judge between many peoples, and shall reprove strong nations afar off; and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruninghooks: nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more. But they shall sit every man under his vine and under his fig-tree; and none shall make them

afraid. All people will walk every one in the name of his God, and we will walk in the name of the Lord our God for ever and ever. Wherewith shall I come before the Lord, and bow myself before the high God? shall I come before Him with burnt offerings, with calves of a year old? Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, or with ten thousands of rivers of oil? shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul? He hath shewed thee, O man, what is good; and what doth the Lord require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?

XLIX.

(From Deuteronomy xxiv.)

NO man shall take the mill or the upper millstone to pledge: for he taketh a man's life to pledge. If a man be found stealing any of his brethren of the children of Israel, and he deal with him as a slave, or sell him; then that thief shall die. When thou dost lend thy neighbor any manner of loan, thou shalt not go into his house to fetch his pledge. Thou shalt stand without, and the man to whom thou dost lend shall bring forth the pledge without unto thee. And if he be a poor man, thou shalt not sleep with his pledge: thou shalt surely restore to him the pledge when the sun goeth down, that he may sleep in his garment, and bless thee: and it shall be righteousness unto thee before the Lord, thy God. Thou shalt not oppress a hired

servant that is poor and needy, whether he be of thy brethren, or of thy strangers that are in thy land within thy gates: in his day thou shalt give him his hire; for he is poor and setteth his heart upon it: lest he cry against thee unto the Lord, and it be sin unto thee.

Thou shalt not wrest the judgment of the stranger, nor of the fatherless; nor take the widow's raiment to pledge: but thou shalt remember that thou wast a bondman in Egypt, and the Lord, thy God, redeemed thee thence: therefore I command thee to do this thing. When thou reapest thy harvest in thy field, and hast forgot a sheaf in the field, thou shalt not go again to fetch it; it shall be for the stranger, for the fatherless, and for the widow: that the Lord, thy God, may bless thee in all the work of thy hands. And thou shalt remember that thou wast a bondman in the land of Egypt: therefore I command thee to do this thing.

(From Isaiah.)

THE poor and needy seek water and there is none, and their tongue faileth for thirst; I, the Lord, will answer them, I, the God of Israel, will not forsake them. I will open rivers on the bare heights, and fountains in the midst of the valleys: I will make the wilderness a pool of water, and the dry land springs of water. I will plant in the wilderness the cedar, the acacia tree, and the myrtle, and the oil tree; I will set in the desert the fir tree,

the pine, and the box tree together: that they may see, and know, and consider, and understand together, that the hand of the Lord hath done this, and the Holy One of Israel had created it. Behold my servant, whom I uphold; my chosen, in whom my soul delighteth: I have put my spirit upon him; he shall bring forth judgment to the nations. He shall not cry, nor lift up, nor cause his voice to be heard in the street. A bruised reed shall he not break, and the smoking flax shall he not quench: he shall bring forth judgment in truth. He shall not fail nor be discouraged, till he have set judgment in the earth; and the isles shall wait for his law.

L.

(From Deuteronomy xxvi.)

WHEN thou art come unto the land which the Lord, thy God, giveth thee for an inheritance, thou shalt take of the first of all the fruit of the ground, and thou shalt put it in a basket, and shalt go unto the place which the Lord, thy God, shall choose to cause His name to dwell there. And thou shalt come unto the priest that shall be in those days, and say unto him, I profess this day unto the Lord, that I am come unto the land which the Lord swore unto our fathers for to give us. And the priest shall take the basket out of thy hand, and set it down before the altar of the Lord, thy God. And thou shalt answer and say before the Lord, thy God, An Aramæan ready to perish was my father, and he went

down into Egypt, and sojourned there, few in number; and he became there a nation, great, mighty, and populous: and the Egyptians evil entreated us, and afflicted us, and laid upon us hard bondage: and we cried unto the Lord, the God of our fathers, and the Lord heard our voice, and saw our affliction, and our toil, and our oppression: and the Lord brought us forth out of Egypt with a mighty hand, and with an outstretched arm, and He hath brought us into this place, and hath given us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. And now, behold, I have brought the first of the fruit of the ground, which thou, O Lord, hast given me. And thou shalt set it down, and worship before the Lord, thy God: and thou shalt rejoice in all the good which the Lord, thy God, hath given unto thee, and unto thy house, thou, and the Levite, and the stranger that is in the midst of thee.

(From Jeremiah.)

THUS saith the Lord: Woe to the man that trusteth in man, and maketh flesh his arm, and whose heart departeth from the Lord. For he shall be like the heath in the desert, and shall not see when good cometh but shall inhabit the parched places in the wilderness, a salt land and not inhabited. Blessed is the man that trusteth in the Lord, and whose hope the Lord is. For he shall be as a tree planted by the waters, that spreadeth out his roots by the river, and shall not fear when heat cometh, but his leaf shall be green; and shall not be careful in the

year of drought, neither shall cease from yielding fruit. The heart is deceitful above all things, who can know it? I, the Lord, search the heart, I try the reins, even to give every man according to his ways, according to the fruit of his doings. O Lord, the hope of Israel, all that forsake Thee shall be ashamed; because they have forsaken the Lord, the fountain of living waters. Heal me, O Lord, and I shall be healed; save me, and I shall be saved: for Thou art my praise.

LI.

(From Deuteronomy xxix.)

AND Moses called unto all Israel, saying: Ye stand this day before the Lord, your God; your heads, your tribes, your elders, and your officers, your little ones, your wives, and your stranger that is in the midst of thy camps, from the hewer of thy wood unto the drawer of thy water: that thou shouldest enter into the covenant of the Lord, and into His oath, which God maketh with thee this day: that He may establish thee unto Himself for a people, and that He may be unto thee a God, as He spoke unto thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob. Neither with you only do I make this covenant and this oath; but with him that standeth here with us this day before the Lord our God, and also with him that is not here with us this day. The secret things belong unto the Lord our God: but the things that are revealed belong unto us and to our children for ever, that we may do all the words of this law.

(From Joel.)

YET now saith the Lord: Turn ye to me with all your soul, and rend your hearts, and not your garments, and turn to the Lord, your God, for He is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and repenteth of a threatened evil.

And it shall come to pass, in the latter days, that I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh; and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy; your old men shall dream dreams; your young men shall see visions. Upon the men-servants also, and upon the handmaids, will I pour out my spirit in those days.

LII.

(From Deuteronomy xxx.)

AND it shall come to pass, when all these things are come upon thee, the blessing and the punishment, which I have set before thee, and thou shalt call them to mind among all the nations, whither the Lord, thy God, hath driven thee, and shalt return unto the Lord, thy God, and shalt obey His voice according to all that I command thee this day, thou and thy children, with all thy heart, and with all thy soul; and then the Lord, thy God, will turn thy captivity, and have compassion upon thee, and will return and gather thee from all the peoples, whither the Lord, thy God, hath scattered thee. If any of thy offspring be in the uttermost parts of heaven, from thence will the Lord, thy God, gather thee, and from thence will He fetch thee: and the Lord,

thy God, will bring thee into the land which thy fathers possessed, and thou shalt possess it. And the Lord, thy God, will cleanse thy heart, and the heart of thy children, to love the Lord, thy God, with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, that thou mayest live. For this commandment is not too hard for thee, neither is it far off. It is not in heaven, that thou shouldest say, Who shall go up for us to heaven, and bring it unto us, and make us to hear it, that we may do it? Neither is it beyond the sea, that thou shouldest say, Who shall go over the sea for us, and bring it unto us, and make us to hear it, that we may do it? But the word is very nigh unto thee, in thy mouth, and in thy heart, that thou mayest do it.

(From Hosea.)

O ISRAEL, return unto the Lord, thy God; for thou hast fallen by thy sins. Return unto the Lord: say unto Him, Take away all iniquity, and accept that which is good: so will we render sacrifice and the offering of our lips. Asshur shall not save us; we will not ride upon horses: neither will we say any more to the work of our hands, Ye are our gods: for in Thee the helpless find mercy. I will heal their backsliding, saith the Lord, I will love them freely: for my anger is turned away from them. I will be as the dew unto Israel: he shall blossom as the lily, and cast forth his roots as Lebanon. His branches shall spread, and his beauty shall be as the olive tree, and his smell as Lebanon. They that

dwell under his shadow shall return; they shall revive as the corn, and blossom as the vine: the scent thereof shall be as the wine of Lebanon. Ephraim shall say, What have I to do any more with idols? Who is wise, and he shall understand these things? prudent, and he shall know them? for the ways of the Lord are right, and the just shall walk in them, but transgressors shall fall therein.

LIII.

(From Deuteronomy xxxi.)

AND Moses went and spoke these words unto all Israel, I am a hundred and twenty years old this day; I can no more go out and come in: and the Lord hath said unto me, Thou shalt not go over this Jordan. And Moses called unto Joshua, and said unto him in the sight of all Israel, Be strong and of a good courage: for thou shalt go with this people into the land which the Lord hath sworn unto their fathers to give them: and thou shalt cause them to inherit it. And the Lord will be with thee, He will not fail thee, neither forsake thee: fear not, neither be dismayed.

And Moses wrote this law, and delivered it unto the priests, the sons of Levi, unto all the elders of Israel. And Moses commanded them, saying, At the end of every seven years, in the set time of the year of release, in the feast of tabernacles, when all Israel is come to appear before the Lord, thy God, in the place which He shall choose, thou shalt read

this law before all Israel in their hearing. Assemble the people, the men and the women, and the little ones, and thy stranger that is within thy gates, that they may hear, and that they may learn, and fear the Lord, your God, and observe to do all the words of this law; and that their children, which have not known, may hear. Set your heart unto all the words which I testify unto you this day. For it is no vain thing for you; because it is your life, and through this thing ye shall prolong your days upon the land, whither ye go over Jordan to possess it.

(From II Kings.)

WHEN the Lord would take up Elijah by a whirlwind into heaven, Elijah went with Elisha from Gilgal. And Elijah said unto Elisha, Tarry here, I pray thee; for the Lord hath sent me as far as Beth-el. And Elisha said, As the Lord liveth, and as thy soul liveth, I will not leave thee. So they went down to Beth-el. And the sons of the prophets that were at Beth-el came forth to Elisha, and said unto him, Knowest thou that the Lord will take away thy master to-day? And he said, Yea, I know it; hold ye your peace. And Elijah said unto him, Elisha, tarry here, I pray thee; for the Lord hath sent me to Jericho. And he said, As the Lord liveth, and as thy soul liveth, I will not leave thee. So they came to Jericho. And the sons of the prophets that were at Jericho came near to Elisha and said unto him, Knowest thou that the Lord will

take away thy master from thy head to-day? And he answered, Yea, I know it; hold ye your peace. And Elijah said unto him, Tarry here, I pray thee; for the Lord hath sent me to Jordan. And he said, as the Lord liveth, and as thy soul liveth, I will not leave thee. And they two went on. And fifty men of the sons of the prophets went, and stood over against them afar off: and they two stood by Jordan.

And Elijah took his mantle, and wrapped it together, and smote the waters, and they were divided hither and thither, so that they two went over on dry ground. When they were gone over, Elijah said unto Elisha, Ask what I shall do for thee, before I be taken from thee. And Elisha said, I pray thee, let a double portion of thy spirit be upon me, as the right of the first born. And he said, Thou hast asked a hard thing: nevertheless, if thou see me when I am taken from thee, it shall be so unto thee. And as they still went on, and talked, behold, there appeared a chariot of fire, and horses of fire, which parted them both asunder; and Elijah went up by a whirlwind into heaven. And Elisha saw it, and he cried, My father, my father, the chariots of Israel and the horsemen thereof! And he saw him no more: he took up also the mantle of Elijah that fell from him, and went back, and stood by the bank of Jordan. And he took the mantle and said, Where is the Lord, the God of Elijah?

LIV.

(From Deuteronomy xxxiv.)

AND the Lord spoke unto Moses, saying, Get thee up into this mountain of Abarim, unto mount Nebo, which is in the land of Moab, that is over against Jericho; and behold the land of Canaan, which I give unto the children of Israel for a possession: and die in the mount whither thou goest up, and be gathered unto thy people; as Aaron, thy brother, died in mount Hor, and was gathered unto his people. So Moses, the servant of the Lord, died there in the land of Moab, according to the word of the Lord. And buried in the valley in the land of Moab over against Beth-peor: but no man knoweth of his sepulchre unto this day. And Moses was a hundred and twenty years old when he died: his eye was not dim, nor his natural force abated. And the children of Israel wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days: so the days of weeping in the mourning for Moses were ended. And Joshua, the son of Nun, was full of the spirit of wisdom; for Moses had laid his hands upon him; and the children of Israel hearkened unto him, and did as the Lord commanded Moses. And there hath not arisen a prophet since in Israel like unto Moses, whom the Lord knew face to face; in all the signs and the wonders, which the Lord sent him to do in the land of Egypt, to Pharaoh, and to all his servants, and to all his land; and in all the mighty hand, and in all the great terror, which Moses wrought in the sight of all Israel.

(From Joshua.)

NOW, after the death of Moses, the servant of the Lord, it came to pass, that the Lord spoke unto Joshua, the son of Nun, Moses' minister, saying, Moses my servant is dead; arise, go over this Jordan, thou, and all this people, unto the land which I do give to them, even to the children of Israel. Every place that the sole of your foot shall tread upon, that have I given unto you, as I said unto Moses. There shall not any man be able to stand before thee all the days of thy life: as I was with Moses, so I will be with thee: I will not fail thee, nor forsake thee. Only be thou strong and very courageous, that thou mayest observe to do according to all the law, which Moses my servant commandeth thee: turn not from it to the right hand or to the left, that thou mayest prosper whithersoever thou goest. This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success. Have not I commanded thee? Be strong and of a good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for the Lord, thy God, is with thee whithersoever thou goest.

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